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Hefty Agenda Faces Cabinet

No Announcement on Senate Seats
St. Laurent Tells Reporters

OTTAWA (CP) — The cabinet met shortly after 10:30 a.m. today with indications a hefty agenda will keep it busy all day and perhaps Wednesday.

Saanich Council Makes Appointments

Saanich council at its first meeting of the year, Monday, re-appointed Reeve Joseph Casey to act as their representative on the Greater Victoria Water Board, Victoria Library Board, and the Royal Jubilee Hospital Board.

Mr. Austin was re-appointed as acting reeve, chairman of the works committee, light, power and transportation committee, civil defense committee and Union Board of Health committee.

Mr. Leslie Passmore will still head the sewer and drainage and finance committees. Other committee heads are as follows: Reeve Casey, lands and buildings, Victoria - Saanich parks and beaches and fire and water committees; Mr. S. W. Brock, health and social welfare committee; Mr. Robert Fleming, municipal parks committee.

Vancouver Sunshine Well Below Normal

VANCOUVER (CP) — The weather office made it official Monday. Vancouver had less sunshine in 1954 than in any of the 38 years that records have been kept. Only 1,663 hours of sunshine were recorded, more than 200 hours below the normal. Rainfall was above normal.

British Actor Files Suit for Divorce

SANTA MONICA, Calif. (AP) — British actor Edmund Purdom Monday filed suit for divorce from his wife, Anita, under a general charge of mental cruelty. The actor said he filed because "she has failed to take action herself to end the marriage." The Purdoms were married Jan. 1, 1951, in London, and separated last Nov. 1.

Ottawa Will Study Assistance For Dwindling Merchant Navy

OTTAWA (CP) — The federal cabinet will consider shortly the question of help for Canada's ailing deep-sea merchant navy. The issue also will be a subject of Commons debate early in the parliamentary session opening Friday, informants said Monday.

Dwindling of the Canadian flag fleet in the year since cabinet last reviewed its position, coupled with studies by government experts, and ship operators' requests for action, are bringing on the new cabinet consideration.

During 1954 the deep-water fleet of dry cargo vessels under Canadian registry shrank to 21 ships, about half the number carrying the flag a year ago. Twenty-one vessels either were sold or transferred to British registry under revival of a 1950 agreement between Canada and the United Kingdom.

Of those remaining under the home flag, nine are operated by the government-owned Canadian National Steamships. Most of the others carry goods for industrial firms owning them. About a year ago, the Canadian Shipowners' Association told the cabinet the operators could not afford to keep the high-wage Canadian vessels on the high seas in competition with low-cost vessels such as those of the U.K.

The government declined to approve a subsidy to keep the ships under the Canadian flag, but got Britain to accept registry of some vessels to cut down on their running costs.

Now, the shipowners are pressing again for some action that would enable a substantial and modern Canadian flag fleet to operate.

Some ball bearings are so small that 200 of them will fit into a thimble.

Montreal doctor discovers how you may live longer

Is stress the cause of all disease? Research by the University of Montreal's Dr. Hans Selye indicates nearly all disease—whether a heart attack, a mild case of asthma, or just that "sick" feeling—is due to chemical imbalance brought on by worry, other stresses.

January Reader's Digest brings news of a theory which may prove one of the most significant medical advances of the century, may help you live longer. Get January Reader's Digest today: 37 articles of lasting interest, including the best from leading magazines and current books, in condensed form.



OFFERS BLOOD—James Carnegie, 26-year-old Toronto shipper, has offered to have his own blood pumped through the veins of his six-year-old daughter, Faye, to correct her heart condition. He has sent a request to Dr. C. Lillig of Minneapolis to perform the operation. Here, Carnegie, a veteran of the Korean war, poses with his wife, and another daughter, Susan. (CP Photo.)

Sailor Pleads Guilty to Three Charges, Fined \$95

Keith Robinson, HMCS Naden, was fined a total of \$95 Monday in Esquimalt police court when he pleaded guilty to three traffic charges.

Robinson was charged with careless driving, failure to hold a current driver's license and with being in possession of another person's license.

Court was told a vehicle driven by Robinson on Dunsmuir Road, Dec. 28, left the road and hit a tree. Total damage was \$300.

Ivan Coyte, 28, 403 Hillside, was fined \$250 or 15 days Monday in Esquimalt police court when convicted on a charge of driving while impaired by alcohol.

Police said a pick-up truck driven by the accused failed to negotiate a turn Dec. 24 at Col-

ville and Tillikum and crashed into a fence and gate.

He will be allowed to drive for business purposes only for one year.

Benjamin Charlie, Songhees reservation, was fined a total of \$90 Monday in Esquimalt police court when he pleaded guilty to charges of careless driving and failure to remain at the scene of an accident.

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School Board Refused Title To Building

Oak Bay council Monday night turned down a request from the Greater Victoria School Board to have Oak Bay Elementary School, the old Oak Bay High School, turned over to the board.

The school board had asked the council to waive a \$25 monthly rental fee and return the building to the board.

Reeve Norris said he felt that the school property was a potential site for a new municipal hall and that as such, the council should not relinquish it.

Waiving of the rental charge would mean losing the title to the board, he felt.

The reeve pointed out that the board had been given the building once, had given it up, and had wanted it temporarily when the 1953 school building by-law failed.

Council decided to continue the present arrangement and to remind the school board that the rental is on a temporary basis.

\$2 Million Payment For H-Bomb Damage

TOKYO (UP) — The United States has agreed to pay Japan \$2,000,000 for loss to life and property as result of its hydrogen bomb tests in the Pacific last year, the Foreign Office announced today.

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WOMAN IS CHIEF — Chief Gwen O'Soup is believed the first woman in Canada to be elected chief of an Indian tribe. She was chosen by Indians on the Key Indian Reserve, eight miles north of Norquay, Sask. (CP Photo.)

Boy Looks, Dies

BOSTON (AP) — A 13-year-old altar boy was killed Monday when his head became caught in a freight elevator in the basement of the rectory of Mission Roman Catholic Church. Companions said Robert Canney looked into the elevator well as the lift descended.

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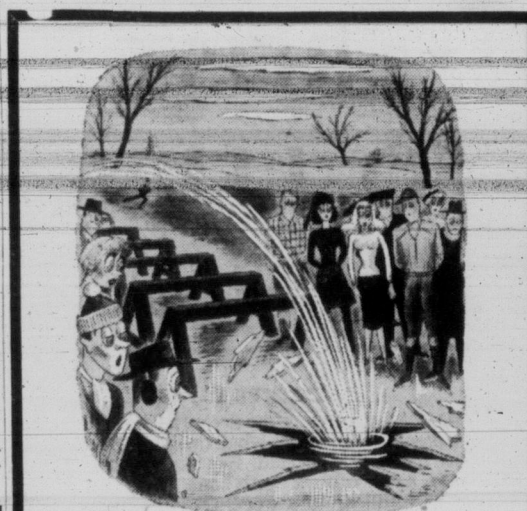
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Mr. Ball said the last federal election showed a percentage of Communists in Canada about 10 times greater than there were in Russia at the time of the revolution.



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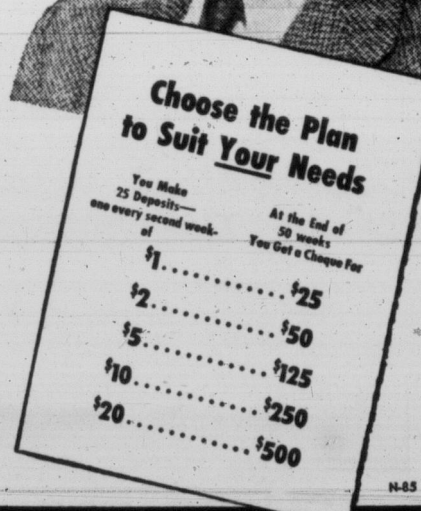
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City Hall 'Gag' Rule Maintained by Mayor

MAYOR SETS WATCH ON CITY COURT

3 Aldermen Become 'Justice' Committee

City council Monday night ratified a proposal of the mayor to set up a "Justice" committee in a novel experiment in local city government.

The move followed lengthy debate during 1954 between City Council and Magistrate H. C. Hall over juvenile court procedures.

Forming the committee will be Aldermen M. H. Mooney (chairman), J. D. Smith and A. I. Curtis.

Council had appealed to the attorney-general's department last year after Magistrate H. C. Hall defended himself against a charge that an 11-year-old boy had been brought to court without the parents being given formal notice of trial.

The magistrate said he assumed such notice had been given because the youth's mother appeared in court with him. Then he rapped council for considering itself a court of appeal.

After much correspondence with the court, council referred the whole matter to the attorney-general.

A reply from that office Monday night became the first business of the new committee. It said merely that the juvenile court had been checked into and that past circumstances were not likely to recur.

Questioned by the Times, a chief city official interpreted the letter as vindication of the magistrate because it did not rebuke the court in any way.

But in his inaugural speech the mayor said the new committee resulted from "certain irregularities" in juvenile court, which had since been remedied.

"I feel the administration of justice, so long as the Municipal Act places same upon the shoulders of council, should be watched . . . to safeguard the people." He added that he thought such responsibility should be delegated to the police commission. But such action would be contrary to the Municipal Act.

DEPUTY MAYOR

The mayor named Alderman W. F. Pinfold, who in his sixth year in office is senior alderman, as acting mayor in the mayor's absence. But he pointed out that except for conventions and business trips he has never taken a holiday in three years in office.

Continuing the two-committee system of last year, which embraces all city business in either finance or public works committee meetings, the mayor made the following appointments:

Finance: Alderman W. F. Pinfold, B. W. Murdoch, R. P. Macmillan, G. I. Edgelow, and the mayor, (when required to form a quorum.)

Public Works: Alderman A. Dowell, M. H. Mooney, A. I. Curtis, J. D. Smith, and the mayor, (when required to form a quorum.)

Council confirmed the appointment of the acting mayor and the following miscellaneous special committees and city representatives:

City representative on B.C. Aviation Council, Burgess J. Gadsen; Building Appeal Board, Ald. Dowell, Ald. Mooney; Greater Victoria Celebrations Association, Ald. Dowell, Ald. Edgelow.

City representatives on Greater Victoria Civil Defense Control Board, the mayor, Ald. Murdoch, Ald. Pinfold, Ald. Robert Macmillan; Community Welfare Council, Ald. Curtis; Case Committee, Family and Children's Service, Ald. Macmillan; Union Board of Health, Ald. Macmillan, Ald. Mooney, Ald. Curtis; Inter-municipal Committee on Juvenile Detention Home, Mrs. Margaret Christie; Victoria Public Library Board (1955) Ald. Murdoch, Robert Wallace, D. J. Proudfoot, (1955-56) Frank Mulliner and Mrs. Doris Loughheed.

Court of Revision for 1955 for purpose of Local Improvement Act, Aldermen Dowell, Macmillan, Mooney, Pinfold, Smith; Victoria Nursing Home Society, C. F. Banfield, Mrs. Margaret Christie; City Welfare Administrator, William Hooson.

Victoria and Island Publicity Bureau, Mayor Harrison, Aldermen Edgelow, Murdoch, Pinfold, Curtis; Queen Alexandra Solarium, Ald. Macmillan; Royal Jubilee Hospital, Frank Mulliner, John A. Worthington; Royal Oak Burial Park Board, Ald. Donald Smith; St. Joseph's Hospital Board, G. Fitzpatrick Dunn; Victoria Town Planning Commission, Emerson L. Smith, Robert H. Green, C. D. Stockdill; Victoria-Saanich Beaches and Parks Committee, Mayor, Ald. Edgelow, Ald. Macmillan, Ald. Smith; Greater Victoria Water Board, Mayor, Ald. Murdoch; Court of Revision on 1955-56 voters' list, Mayor, Ald. Dowell, Ald. Pinfold.

'Secrecy' Policy Defended In 30-Page Inaugural Talk

By PETE LOUDON

The fourth inaugural address of Victoria's mayor glowed with optimism, reflected accomplishment and included little of specific promise or prophecy.

He spoke to aldermen and seven citizens who went almost unnoticed in the emptiness of the council chambers Monday night.

Following are the highlights of his speech:

- * Unrelenting adherence to 1954's Secrecy By-Law.
- * Assertion that increase or decrease in property tax must wait provincial decision on its school tax formula.
- * Mention of \$114,000 in lost city revenue, due to sales tax decline and Ottawa delay in a new tax grant policy.
- * Creation of a council "Justice" committee to "watch" city courts and "safeguard the people."
- * Recommendation for a civic heliport in the Industrial Reserve area of Victoria West, and enlarged small-boat docking facilities for Inner Harbor.
- * Call for immediate study by public works with purpose of revising the Fountain Circle.

'Patches' for Point Ellice Bridge

The mayor also looked forward to advancement in his almost single-handed fight with the federal government for fulfillment of the Terms of Union. He reaffirmed support of the recently-voiced plans for a civic aquarium.

He recommended to council that boat service with the Gulf Islands be improved. He suggested that the "patch" policy be continued for Point Ellice Bridge, but no new construction.

The mayor repeated his support of a civic auditorium, when it can be constructed, "without increasing the burden of present taxation." He asked the council to urge a new museum be provided by the provincial government, and he proposed a beach for Goldstream Park.

On the brighter side he said "apparently there will be no increase in water rates this year," and he estimated that fewer jobs would ask the city for aid in 1955.

The mayor read his 30-page speech while seated. He began with words of welcome to newly-elected aldermen and expressed regret at the loss by retirement of Aldermen Mrs. Margaret Christie and Frank G. Mulliner.

He said that many aldermen had complained to him and asked for in-camera meetings. The mayor said he had spoken to one of the city newspaper editors, but "the condition was not remedied."

He said decent and prominent people would eventually refuse to run for council unless reading of defamatory letters in open council were not halted.

"So the by-law is simply . . . to carry out proper procedure, to save time and prevent abuse."

In-Camera Sessions Defended

"Council By-Law, 1954," which he said is erroneously referred to as a "Secrecy By-Law," was defended at length in the address. He called it a timesaver and pointed out that municipal manager Cecil Wyatt now "relieves the council of much routine."

He said it was passed because "certain persons were wasting time of council by quarrelling and bickering over little items of procedure."

"Newspaper reporters were allowed into committee meetings (in the pre-by-law days). It was found that off-hand remarks and perhaps slips of the tongue were played up and publicized quite beyond the intention or value. . . ."

"It was also felt that the time

Revenues Seriously Reduced

Speaking of taxation the mayor praised ratepayers; percentage of taxes paid in 1954 exceeded all other years. He said his previous suggestion for an earlier tax collection date could not be effected due to introduction by the province of the assessment-equalization act, and the subsequent delays in information on the civic share in taxation costs.

Revenues have received two serious setbacks in the past 12 months, the mayor said. The city's share of the provincial Sales Tax was \$64,000 less than original 1954 estimates. And he referred to loss of \$50,000 in expected federal grants which didn't materialize as was expected when the civic budget was set up. The House of Com-

Heliport, Gulf Trade, Aquarium

The mayor said Gordon Head property should be disposed of and a helicopter port established in that part of Victoria lying to the east of Esquimalt and just beyond the Point Ellice Bridge.

He thought Gulf Island trade through Sidney, Crofton and Swartz Bay should be further developed. He looked ahead to improved food supply for this area with the advance of the West Coast Road.

Failure of the Dominion to live up to terms of union with the crown colony of British Columbia which were laid down in 1871 might yet prove of advantage to Victoria, the mayor believes. He told council it would hear more regarding briefs he submitted on this and also about an ancient sealing treaty. One of the terms of union bound Canada to provide

mail service fortnightly between Victoria and San Francisco. "The vessels to be adapted for freight and passengers."

The mayor favored proposed Holland Point aquarium, suggested more harbor mooring floats to accommodate Pacific Northwest yachting fleets and called the present policy on Point Ellice Bridge "adequate for the present." His bridge program includes "carefully watching . . . making any necessary repairs . . . try to adjust the responsibility for cost and type of construction . . . and then build a bridge."

Juvenile Court Difficulties

Difficulties in city juvenile court which resulted in debate between the mayor and Magistrate Henry Hall were recalled in the inaugural speech. Appeal to the Attorney-General's Department resulted in a closer following of the provincial act in juvenile matters, the mayor said.

He called for expenditure of money earned by Goldstream Park gravel pit on park development. Sand and gravel, he thought, should be sold to provincial highway construction in that area. "The first develop-

ment should be making of a beach."

Of parks within the city he noted "unbalance in park disposition and expenditure" and stressed the need for park accommodation in the north central and northeastern sections of the city. He thought Topaz Park, now being developed, would be a step in the right direction.

He recommended that amateur ball clubs be encouraged to make use of Royal Athletic Park.

Traffic Circle Study Proposed

With regard to the Fountain Circle which now handles most upper Island and Saanich peninsula traffic, "it appears beyond question . . . the existing arrangements will have to be completely revised." And he suggested "immediate and extensive study."

Speaking on health and welfare, the mayor said all indications are that the cost of caring for Victoria's aged will continue

and improve from year to year."



NEXT CHIEFTAIN?—Andrew Dougald Mactavish is next in line for the chieftainship of the Mactavish Clan but he hasn't decided yet whether he wants it. Here, Mr. Mactavish and his wife look at family pictures in their Montreal home. (CP Photo.)

North Arm Tragedy Brings Probe Demand

Paper Asks Top-Level Investigation Of Case of Missing Vancouver Boys

VANCOUVER (UP)—The Vancouver Herald Monday night demanded a top-level investigation of the disappearance of four Vancouver boys in an outboard boat eight days ago because, it said, it believes the boys' boat was struck by another vessel.

The newspaper instructed its Ottawa correspondent to present facts concerning the apparent drowning of the boys before federal transport officials.

"As an alternative," the paper said, "it was suggested that maritime officials in Victoria—the marine section of the RCMP, plus other necessary investigating officers—probe the mishap."

The outboard boat, part of its newly-painted white hull damaged, was found on a beach beside the floating body of a pet spaniel.

Missing and presumed dead were Donald and Ian MacLeod, both 17, and Wally Wittwer and Joe Toth, all of Vancouver.

Red paint was smeared on the damaged section of the outboard craft.

DAISY IN BLUNDERLAND

Germany Won't Return Envoy To Post in 'Enemy Country'

BONN (Reuters)—Oskar Schlitter, West German diplomat, hastily withdrawn from the London embassy after his wife spoke out of turn and created a full-blown international incident, will not be returning to the London post, foreign office sources here said today.

Schlitter and wife, Daisy, reached here Monday and went into official hiding after foreign office interviews. Mrs. Schlitter's remark in a speech at an Embassy Christmas party that Britain was an "enemy country" brought an official apology to Britain.

A West German government statement said Mrs. Schlitter speaking extemporaneously when her charge d'affaires husband had suffered from nervousness and got her words mixed up. What she had meant, the statement said, was that Germans had to be careful in foreign countries where the horrors of the Second World War were not forgotten. Her expression, it conceded, was "unacceptable."

Meanwhile, Mrs. Schlitter, "Miss Germany" of 1931 and a former movie actress, is in hospital suffering a reported breakdown.

The Daily Sketch says "every husband with a talkative wife who takes her to business parties will have a certain sympathy with Herr Schlitter."

The Daily Herald says "it is some test of diplomacy to keep a woman quiet."

JUDGE CLEARS YOUNG CROSBY

LOS ANGELES (AP)—A drunk charge against one of Bing Crosby's twin sons, Dennis, 20, was dismissed today by a municipal judge "because the boy has never been in trouble before."

Young Crosby was arrested early Sunday when police halted a car in which he was riding. (Story page 10).

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Drew Heads Group Interested In Buying Toronto Globe, Mail

By VICTOR MACKIE

Times Ottawa Correspondent

OTTAWA—Reports were circulating here Tuesday that Hon. George Drew, national leader of the Progressive Conservatives and opposition leader, may head one of the groups tendering for the purchase of the Toronto Globe and Mail newspaper.

It was announced from Toronto that the newspaper would be offered for sale next week.

Mr. Drew over the years has displayed a great deal of interest in the Toronto newspaper. There is a close personal friendship between Mr. and Mrs. Drew and Mrs. George C. McCullough, widow of the former owner of the paper.

Mr. Drew at present is recuperating at St. Adele in the Laurentians from an attack of meningitis. According to the unconfirmed reports circulating here the national leader of the Progressive Conservatives might obtain the required financial backing to purchase the paper from a group of Toronto businessmen.

TORONTO (UP)—The Globe and Mail will be offered for sale next Monday in Canada, Britain and the United States.

The announcement was made today in a brief newspaper story carried by the newspaper. It read:

"Chartered Trust Co., of Toronto, co-executor of the estates of the late George McCullough and William H. Wright, announced Monday the intention of the executors of these estates to offer the Globe and Mail for sale."

"H. E. Langford, general manager of the trust company, explained that the two estates hold all of the stock of the Globe Printing Company, which company publishes the newspaper. He stated that advertisements in connection with the proposed offer would appear in various newspapers in Canada, Britain and the United States next Monday."

Spokesmen for the trust said there would be no further comment.

There is no clue to the identity of the assassins. The National Assembly has decreed a 10-day state of siege—a modified form of martial law temporarily suppressing some constitutional guarantees—to aid secret police in their hunt.

At least a score of persons, including ex-president Arnulfo Arias and two women, have been rounded up for questioning.

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Better Lights Planned for City Streets

Plans for improving Victoria lighting in 1955 were revealed by the mayor Monday night.

He said work is already authorized which will install 27 new mercury vapor luminaires on the Douglas Street portion of the new Island Highway between Hillside and Talmie and 19 smaller luminaires on Government between Humbolt and Herald.

He said council hoped this year to improve lighting on Oak Bay Avenue, Shelbourne from Bay to Hillside, Bay from Point Ellice Bridge to Richmond, Blanshard from Pembroke to Hillside and Burnside from Douglas to Carroll.

It is also contemplated to overhaul the downtown decorative street-lighting system and complete improvements to North Douglas, Smith's Hill and Haultain-Oaklands lighting systems.

Esquimalt Council Refuses Inn Owner's Rezoning Bid

Esquimalt council Monday night rebuffed another attempt by Olde England Inn proprietor Sam Lane to solve his hotel parking problem.

Request for rezoning of part of his property, from commercial to apartment, was rejected. Purpose was to create a parking area at the rear of the inn, and thus end the practise of parking cars on the street which has been under fire from nearby residents.

'Freeman of City' Honor Proposed Again by Mayor

The institution of a prime civic honor, that of being named a "Freeman of the city" was urged by the mayor as a reward for good citizenship, in his inaugural address to City Council Monday night.

Naming of Freeman, an old English tradition, has only honorary meaning today although the title carries with it immunity from road and poll tax and makes the holder eligible for civic office although not qualified by property holdings.

The mayor has broached the matter in three inaugural addresses since taking office but so far council has not given the matter active consideration.

Councillor G. R. Guillemaud objected.

"If we allow rezoning for apartment use of this property," he said, "for the supposed purpose of establishing a parking lot, we open the door for him."

"We have no guarantee that he won't build another hotel building."

Councillor Argyle said he thought the present zoning by-law too wide-open to consider the matter.

Following the discussion, council decided to reject the application.

Girl, 7, Saves 4

RIPLEY, N.Y. (AP)—A courageous seven-year-old girl, Mary Swan, dropped her three younger sisters and a brother from a second-floor window, then jumped to safety herself as flames raced through their farm home Monday.

12 DEAD AS EUROPE BATTLES BAD STORM

LONDON (UP)—Winter's worst storm slammed into Europe today with a cold wave that dropped the mercury below freezing on the ice-coated Continent and frosted London with one of its heaviest snows in years.

At least 12 persons have been killed and 32 injured in accidents attributed to the cold since Jan. 1.

Blizzards spread over the British Isles and most of Scotland.

A bitter cold easterly gale with gusts up to 75 miles an hour crippled North Sea and Channel shipping.

Panama Hunts Hired Slayers of President

Authorities Claim Remon's Assassins Were Imported by His Political Enemies

PANAMA CITY (AP)—Authorities pressed a search today for a band of unidentified professional killers accused of assassinating Panama's president, Jose Antonio Remon, at the instigation of his political enemies.

The "guns for hire" charge was made by government minister Catalino Arrocha Graell in a funeral oration Monday over the body of the slain president, who was mowed down by machine-gun fire at a race track Sunday night.

"Mercenary hands armed by his political enemies" fired the bullets, Arrocha declared. There is widespread speculation that the killers may have been imported.

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At least a score of persons, including ex-president Arnulfo Arias and two women, have been rounded up for questioning.

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Two other men were killed and three were wounded in the exchange of shots between the killers and Remon's bodyguard.

Signs Of Trouble In Oak Bay

The battle of the signs rose again in Oak Bay council Monday.

An Imperial Oil official appeared before the council to ask permission for the erection of two signs at their Cranmore and Cadboro Bay Road service station, both of which would exceed the municipality's sign limit.

John Warren, representing the company, told council his company wished to erect a 24-inch sign and an oval neon sign with an initial letter of 23 inches and another three letters of 18 inches.

He told council the signs were standard with company outlets.

Imperial Oil had previously requested permission to erect the signs but the council had refused the request.

Maximum sign allowance in Oak Bay is 15 inches.

Council referred Mr. Warren's application to the lands committee.

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Mr. Malenkov's Illusion

MR. MALENKOV SAYS IT IS AN "illusion" to suppose that there can be any four-power conference on German reunification if, in the meantime, West Germany is rearmament.

This may or may not be a bluff. But Mr. Malenkov knows quite well that the ratification of the new Western defense agreement does not close the door to bargaining with Russia. On the contrary, this project is designed to make bargaining possible, as it is impossible now.

The key to these large affairs is to be found not in the large print of the Western agreement but in the small print, and in the policies not printed at all.

The West has agreed to rearm Germany. Now that M. Mendes-France, in one of the most notable feats of statesmanship since the war, has secured French approval, German rearmament can soon begin. But at no point does the agreement say how much armament Germany is to be allowed. It says only that a maximum must be fixed for Germany and for all other signatories to the agreement by general consent.

Deliberately a wide bargaining territory is thus left open. If Russia is ready to discuss the reunification of the two Germanys, which it is constantly urging, it can certainly hold down West Germany's military strength. No Western nation desires German rearmament for itself, but only as a protection against Russia.

Provided Russia will agree to German reunification, with free elections, the menace of a militarized Germany will be limited, if not entirely removed.

As Mendes-France finally persuaded the French Assembly, it is useless and dangerous for the West to bargain about German reunification without the ace of German rearmament in its hand. For that is the only trump card which will impress Russia for a moment.

M. Mendes-France himself has quickly demonstrated his desire for negotiations with Russia, now that the defense agreement is virtually approved. He proposes an early four-power conference on the whole future of the two Germanys, but Mr. Malenkov calls this an illusion. We shall soon see how illusory it is.

If any chance of negotiation with Russia is indeed an illusion, then it is an illusion solely because Russia is still opposed to German reunification, except on its own terms—that is to say, a reunited Germany powerless and under Russian domination.

If that is still Russia's policy, there can be no reunification and West Germany must be given substantial armament as a calculated risk.

At the moment that appears to be the probable result of Russia's real policy and it will be blamed, of course, on the West in the hope of dividing the allies.

Japan and Coexistence

IN THE RELATIVELY NEAR FUTURE Japan will bring its own interpretation to the term "co-existence." Geography and economics assure that development.

In the opinion of some competent observers the Japanese version will express itself in expanding trade with Red China and Russia. The trend seems inevitable.

Japan already has a population so large that its domestic food sources are strained. The population is growing alarmingly—2 million babies a year. Subsistence in the future will depend to a large extent on the ability of Japanese industry to find markets for its swelling production.

Close at hand are China and the eastern reaches of the USSR. Much further away are western nations whose industrial leaders recognize—and in many cases try to restrict—competition from the cheap labor factories of Japan.

Apart from the influence of geography and economics, Japan is already finding receptive attitudes in both China and Russia.

Gordon Walker, chief Far Eastern correspondent of The Christian Science Monitor, presents some of the evidence. Early in the new year, he notes, Japan will receive its first Chinese Communist trade mission. The delegation will be guided by the International Trade Promotion As-

sociation of Japan and will be taken through major industrial enterprises in that country. The visit will be followed by a trip by Japanese company representatives to Peiping to complete arrangements for joint fishing operations in the Gulf of Chihli.

Nor are the interchanges being restricted to China and Japan. Russia has already shown a softening of its attitude to Japanese fishermen in the North Pacific—an area in which the USSR seized Japanese boats last October.

Japan, it appears, can and will do business with the communists of China and Russia.

This does not mean that such activities will be paralleled by political measures, such as formal recognition, or other gestures violating Japan's present relations with non-communist countries. But once the trade paths are opened, how long will the relationship between Japan and her communist neighbors remain purely business contacts?

This should ring an alarm bell in Washington. Japan must export to live. Canada has already recognized the fact in its recently negotiated trade pact with that country.

Here is a lead the United States must follow and expand unless it wishes to drive Japan inevitably into the embrace of its big communist neighbors—neighbors who are prepared to do business with a Japan that has to have business to survive.

Let's Start Fresh on the Library

THE OPPORTUNITY NOW PRESENTS itself, at the beginning of the new year, to overcome many difficulties apparently bristling in the public library field. The problems can be more shadow than substance if the board of 1955 and the municipalities interested in service decide to look for solutions along amicable lines.

They can achieve that purpose in a very simple way.

It lies within the rights of the different municipalities to seek a round table discussion with the board itself. To any such conference the board may invite members of the Public Library Commission of British Columbia, a government-appointed body admirably served by veterans in library work and administration.

Proud Beginning for 1955

DRIVERS OF GREATER VICTORIA have come through the Christmas-New Year season without one fatal accident. This is in sharp contrast to the records set over the week-end in the United States and in certain other parts of Canada.

A number of factors unquestionably contributed to the safe driving record in this locality. Weather conditions were favorable. Police provided special help for celebrants. A long and emphatic campaign through various media has emphasized the need for caution at this season and the public appears to have taken the advice to heart.

Whatever the cause, or causes, leading to the excellent traffic record during the last week or 10 days, motorists have displayed a standard of conduct that deserves the highest commendation.

They have shown what they could do for one week. In the routine of the give-away programs, they now have a chance to try for 52.

Whatever 1955 may have in store, its opening days could scarcely have been better, as far as highway reports are concerned in this community.

LOOSE ENDS

By BRUCE HUTCHISON

Mrs. Noggins Predicts a Crisis

MANY prophets of emulence are making their predictions for the New Year but personally I would rather rely on the wisdom of my modest neighbor Mrs. Henry Noggins. While space cannot afford a detailed account of her current



prophecy, it may be said, in brief, that Mrs. Noggins expects a year of serious crisis.

"Oh, yes," she said, "it won't be long before the usual spring crisis. Any day now the politicians and newspapers will be telling us that the world trembles on the edge of something or other, same as last year and the year before. Trouble will spring up along with my first peas and politics will bust open with the illa buds."

"Then you'll have crisis all right, but not the crisis that you newspaper fellows will be writin' about. For the rest of us the spring crisis will be whether the old car can last another year and can we afford a summer holiday and will your nice really 'ave twins like the doctor says."

"Yes, and jest when the papers is talking about the end of the world, like every spring, my old warshin' machine will break down, like always, and then there'll be a crisis all right, a real one."

"Oh, sure, and you can gamble upon it, whatever the newspapers say, that summer will come soon after spring. The newspapers won't say anything about it, they'll be roamin' all over Asia, but the whole of Canada will be right spang in the middle of the summer crisis and squintin', like Churchill says, over the rim of 'ell, with all the wimmin swelterin' over a 'ot wood stove in a camp and all the men livin' alone in town and pilin' up the dirty dishes and gettin' into mischief with the widow down the street."

"AND the politicians will be tellin' us to stand in line to watch the end of civilization when all the ordinary 'uman bean will want to be back 'ome after enjoyin' the 'olidays."

"Oh, it'll be a summer of crisis all right, especially for gardeners like me. I won't be worryin' about the Russians, I'll 'ave my 'ands full with the tent caterpillars and the week-end pests, my relatives from the city."

"Then, sure as shootin', though the newspapers won't notice it, there'll come autumn and more crisis. Why, I can see my crisis as clear as day already. I get

through it all right last autumn by 'avin' my tonsils out, which took all the money in the bank, but this year 'Arry will insist on gettin' television as soon as the long summer evenin's draw in and I don't see no ways of stoppin' 'im now my tonsils is gone and we got enough to pay the first installment. So me and a lot more folks can count on a TV crisis by September."

"AND besides, summer will play the devil with family life and all the bills will 'ave to be paid in the autumn—not jest in money, you understand, but much worse: Yer son will 'ave taken up with some gel as looks good in a bathin' suit, but can't cook, or yer darter will 'ave hanged 'erself to some fella who don't know nothin' but water skiing and it'll take all autumn to break it off. Jest one crisis after another that the papers won't report."

"And then comes winter and the worst crisis of all. Well, we got through Christmas and New Year's once more the other day, but at my age I misdoubt I can stand another. Yes, sir, if you could add up all the 'uman hagony that the public suffered in the last fortnight in the gay festive season it would make a spectacle as no newspaper would dare to print."

"THERE was a crisis to make the angels weep but to read the papers you'd think everybody was axually enjoyin' themselves when as a matter of fact all that most of them knew about Christmas was that our feet 'urt and all we knew about New Year was that a 'appy new year begun with an hatack of hindigestion and a lot of bills at the stores."

"So the newspapers and politicians is right about it bein' a year of crisis, but not the kind they talk about. No, sir, it'll be just a reglar, ordinary, average year the same as before with nothin' 'appenin' but spring, summer, autumn and winter and one crisis after another, and before you can turn 'round it'll be 1956, another 'appy new year, and so on till you and I won't be around to hextend the season's greetin's and the newspapers won't even notice we're not."

"THEYLL be too busy, like right now, tellin' the public that a new hera 'as dawned when it's jest the same old crisis with a hother label. So I wish you a very 'appy new year to be sure, sir, and with a bit of luck and a stiff upper lip you may manage to get through it some'ow, though I kind of wonder if by the look of you this mornin'."

As Our Readers See It

STUPID HOAX

As from one sucker to perhaps future others let this be a warning: never believe you are the winner of such things as a television set, Bendix washer or radio, etc.

On Tuesday, I received a call as from Station CKDA announcing that I had just won a television set. Adopting a "too-good-to-be-true" attitude I suggested a hoax, but was assured it was on the level, and was asked when I could get it, etc. The lady in question even offered to have it sent up! What a mercy! I wrote a premature letter of thanks to the management and was informed it was a hoax! Not only is this a very cruel jest, but very unfair to the good name of CKDA.

I understand this crude sense of humor is quite popular. Perhaps it was an ill wind that blew nobody good, because at least we can warn others to ring up the management and find out whether a television set is really to be installed in your house or whether it is still in the air! To us, this has been a short-lived disappointment, but to another it might have been a bitter one. We live and learn! I might add my husband had black doubts, but I, poor sucker, hoped on!

(Mrs.) F. CORNISH

904 Falmouth Road.

AND MR. GUNDERSON SERVES

This is no time for carping about the Big One.

After all B.C. has done for Mr. Gunderson suitable thankful humility should cover your readers.

He now bravely carries awful burdens on his massive brow. The premier could not be premier, nor could the mysteries of financial religion work at all without him. Twice neglected by the people, he carries on anon.

He knows some answers. No Social Credit \$25 monthly (or possibly more) for your readers if he goes back to his wigwam. No more hidden loans to reduce the provincial debt. There might even be no sales tax to boot. Trade. You can bet your last copy of "Social Credit For Me" that Rev. Hansell is praying hard for all you sinners!

Of course there are some who do not like such blatant quackery but they have no souls worth saving. Not even Mr. Gagliardi and his planes amuse them.

Where is that faith your readers once had in the simple tales for the simple? You all know Mr. W. A. C. Bennett would never tell one lie—alone. He has the confidence to do better. Just stop asking questions. And listen.

R. ARMSTRONG.

845 Princess Avenue.

REAL CHRISTMAS SPIRIT

Some people are wishing that the Christmas spirit would continue through-out the year.

I believe it does if it is the true Christmas spirit. However there are many inferior beings which do not even resemble the real thing.

The true Christmas spirit is the kind that transcends or reaches out beyond the family circle if need be, to bring cheer to the lonely and help to the unfortunate.

But needless to say, this kindly spirit is sadly lacking in many homes, mainly because modern living has made people self-centred and indifferent to the needs of others who are outside the family circle.

A good example of this is seen in the exchange of Christmas greetings—especially the expensive ones which are often given to those who do not need them—while many poor and lonely people in every neighborhood don't even receive a Christmas card to show that somebody cares.

Another selfish custom is that of sending cards to the same little circle of friends every Christmas even though we meet more deserving people during the year who would greatly appreciate a card of remembrance.

TOM CLARK

Royal Oak

GIFTS AT HIS DISPOSAL

My attention was drawn to the article "Gunderson Pay Toss Scale for Cabinet" in Tuesday, December 21 Times, and wondered if the premier who was elected to serve the electors, had not become like Moses of old, a prince and a ruler over us. Are public offices gifts at his disposal to be distributed to personal friends, whenever the spirit moves him? If he can give in this way, it follows that he can also take. Seems arbitrary to me, and smacks of despotism.

S. SMITH

1408 Walnut Street.

DENNIS THE MENACE



"WELL I LIKE THEM! AND I HAD FOR THEM! AND I'M THE ONE WHO HAS TO WEAR THEM!"

From Our Files

Jan. 4, 1895 — A number of sealing schooners will be getting away on their 1895 sealing cruises within the next few days. The Viva, Capt. Pike, will leave tomorrow. The Annie Pain, Capt. Bissett, also is ready.

Jan. 4, 1915 — The new Provincial Normal School at Mount Tolmie was opened this morning with about 50 students. There was no special ceremony. One is planned to be held when several details of the building are completed.

Jan. 4, 1935 — In a two-day session at the Legislative Buildings, the revision committee working in conjunction with the survey of education finances of the province is completing its part of the investigation.

Twin Arrivals



REPORT FROM PARIS

By VICTOR MACKIE

Peace or Total Destruction

GRADUALLY a new conception of military strategy is taking shape, steadily increasing the threat to North America, as the era of push-button warfare advances at a frightening rate.

Canada's delegation of three cabinet ministers, participating in the recent NATO ministerial council meeting in Paris, heard reports that made them acutely aware of these subtle changes—changes that could switch the possible target for all-out attack from Europe to North America.

"North America is becoming increasingly vulnerable and we must be able not only to provide an effective defense of a firm base for the support of operations in the defense of Europe, but also to defend the retaliatory capacity of North America itself," Hon. Ralph Campney, defense minister; Rt. Hon. C. D. Howe, minister of defense production, and Hon. L. B. Pearson, secretary of state for external affairs, said in a joint statement during the NATO meeting.

"New and additional commitments undertaken for the direct defense of North America are contributions to our common defense, just as much as the stationing of forces in Europe, or the supplying of equipment under the mutual aid program. These are all important factors in the defense of the NATO area," they pointed out.

There is a growing conviction among Europeans that if and when the world is plunged into a third world war, it will begin with Moscow launching an all-out air attack across the frozen north and deep into the industrial heart of North America. Airborne nuclear or thermonuclear bombs would be sent streaking towards vital United States target areas. An overpowering surprise attack would be aimed at destroying North America's will to resist and at smashing the continent's bases for retaliation.

Canada's ministers after attending the NATO meetings explained why the emphasis was shifting to North American defense. The huge and costly radar defenses under construction across the northern part of Canada, are vital to the defense of this continent. They will give some advance warning of a sneak attack, if and when one is launched. But it may be four years before the planned radar fences are completed and in operation. Information available to the NATO military planners indicated that within four or five years manually operated interceptors would be antiquated.

Robot planes capable of carrying nuclear bombs will be roaring through the skies.

The last fighter plane to be flown by a human pilot is now on the drafting boards. The Canadian delegation was informed. It was already obsolete before it gets into production. Within five years all combat planes will be robot-controlled, if the prediction of the aircraft designers and scientists placed before the military planners come true.

The advent of guided missiles will materially reduce the effectiveness of the early warning system across North America's northern areas. The time will come not too far in the future, when guided missiles might be launched from Siberian bases and screech to their target only a few minutes after the radar system had signalled their approach. The warning would give the defenders of North America only time to touch off their batteries of guided missiles sending them on their errands of destruction deep into Russia, minutes before the Soviet missiles destroyed the North American bases.

The key to preventing the outbreak of a Third World War in the view of the military planners appears to be a readiness to retaliate in such force that the nation going on the offensive will have its centres utterly destroyed minutes after it has rained destruction on its victims.

MUTUAL DESTRUCTION

The day appears to be rapidly approaching when the certainty of mutual destruction will be so great that the very existence of guided missiles and nuclear and thermo-nuclear weapons will be the best assurance that no nation will break the world's peace. Reluctantly the politicians participating in the NATO meetings, after hearing the military planners' reports, came to that conclusion.

Meantime, confronted with the new scientific developments that bring total destruction close to Canada and the United States the countries on this continent must look to their defenses. Canada's delegation went on record that Canada was prepared to continue its mutual aid program during the coming year as a member of NATO.

However the stage has been reached when there must be a greater concentration upon the defense of North America so that Canada and the U.S. are not left vulnerable to surprise attack. The total volume of mutual aid from Canada might be reduced somewhat in the next year, because the end has been nearly reached of the stockpiles left over from the Second World War. Offsetting the somewhat lower volume will be the fact that the supplies will be weapons of the latest design and hitting power.

Source of Danger

Your correspondent A. S. Averill takes the very attitude which has become so dangerous in North America. Expressed briefly it is this: "You must not criticize our side, or you are following the Communist line."

He then presumes to lecture me on my ignorance of Russia's attitude towards religion. I was not aware of writing one word in my letter in support of Communism. On the contrary I hold no brief for the Communist in any way. In fact my complaint is that we are in danger of copying the Communists by McCarthy tactics.

Take this sentence for instance to express typical Communist jargon: "He is a bourgeois capitalist, perverted by religion, the dope of the masses." Then transpose it into MacCarthyism and it may read like this: "He is a left-wing bleeding heart, a follower of the Communist line."

May I use a simple though perhaps poor analogy? Citizens of Vancouver realize the danger of criminals who murder each other in Stanley Park. But there would be a public outcry if Chief Mulligan began to bump off criminal suspects in the same park.

We in the democracies are supposed to support the law, we are not surprised at Communist aggression, in fact it is what we expect. We must be prepared to stand up to them, but we do not have to sink to their level of political morality. For example the attitude of the U.S. that aggression is wrong only if it comes from the Communist side. (Note.

The U.S. was the only nation at Manila in the S.E.A.T.O. Pact, who would not agree to condemn aggression from whatever source, but only Communist aggression. If Communist aggression is the only danger, then why this refusal to go along with the other six nations in condemning all aggression.)

So far as I am concerned personally, while proud of the many great features of this Canada, we can still learn a lesson in tolerance and democracy from Britain. Perhaps I should not judge Canadian democracy by some of the actions which have taken place in Victoria. If this is a "little bit of Old England," it must be a bit of pre-Boer War England.

The case of John Marshall is an example. Condemned on hearsay evidence, by accusers who refused to disclose their source, and on guilt by past associations. If that is Victorian justice, then give me good old British justice.

"Eternal vigilance is the price of liberty," not informal vigilantes.

D. C. O'CONNELL.

RR 4, Cordova Bay.

MARKED for READING

ZERO HOUR
Men fear silence as they fear solitude, because both give them a glimpse of the terror of life's nothingness.
—Andre Maurois.

Clothes for the Man

I HAVE just read a story on the best dressed women of 1954. Soon I expect to see a nauseating piece on the well dressed man of 1954. Maybe it's jealousy, or maybe it's just because I haven't read Esquire since 1942, but the subject upsets my stomach.

So I'm happy to say that in my own trade, in Victoria at least, I don't know one well-dressed practitioner. Very few newspapermen can afford to be well-dressed. Most of those who can, either don't bother or aren't the right shape to make clothes look good. They bulge or slump in the wrong places.

There aren't too many newspapermen in Victoria who look like newspapermen. An amazing number don't even wear hats. Those who do, with one exception, don't wear them at the right angle.

The hat, if you read Robert Casey, is the distinguishing badge of the trade. It's worn rakishly outdoors. In the office it's supposed to be pushed off the brow to rest on the back of the head. Our newsroom hasn't an operative indoor-hat-wearer.

Phil Lee, who goes to the movies and who ought to know, doesn't wear his hat like a newspaperman. He seldom wears one at all. When he does, he looks more like a Winnipegger than a newsman. The terms aren't synonymous.

UNHOMBURG TYPES

Top brass wear homburgs—but not like Anthony Eden. A homburg, for my money, ought to be placed carefully on the head, studied before a mirror, and then knocked slightly southeast by a flick of the finger behind the right ear. Our homburg wearers don't do that. They look as if they're going to break out with a chorus of "Show Me the Way to Go Home"—in a dignified way, of course.

The well-dressed man of 1954 wore a suit, I guess. If anybody in our office wears a

suit it causes comment. He's suspected of attending a funeral, a wedding, Premier Bennett's press conference, or going somewhere with someone we think his wife ought to know about.

We're the casual type, but seldom newspaper enough to have the seats out of our trousers. Usually it's sports wear around this place—and how sporty we can get!

But if we have one thing, we have shirts. Monte's are the best. On him they look good. On anybody else they'd start a research project on miscegenation among tartan weavers of the Outer Hebrides. Speaking colorfully, Monte lends tone to the office in much the way bagpipes lend tones to the Caledonia Games. In shirts, as in print, Monte's never dull. Next to the murals, he's our gayest exhibit.

SONG OF THE SHIRT

But he's not alone. You can wander through the sports department and the newsroom and find shirts of shades and designs to delight the eye and frighten the child.

Still, it isn't just the clothes we wear that makes us distinctive. It's partly the way we wear them. Canada's top journalist favors a green pullover sweater. It's worn inside out on alternate days. He explains that's the way it comes off at night—and who has time to waste turning a pullover right side out?

The same decoration to Canada's newspaper world is now wearing pipe-smokers' trousers—having rejected cigarettes some months ago. Pipe-smokers' trousers are filled with live tobacco embers, usually where the watch pocket was.

For myself, I affect pullovers, too. On me they look like boleros. The bottom comes just north of the equator.

It pleases me, no end, that my colleagues despite such things as citations for the best dressed man of the year. They treat the whole thing with robust contempt—as it should be treated.

And if there is envy in us for the casualness of anyone's daily wear, it stems from an inability to keep up with a nameless columnist down the hall. In dress, he has all our tired insouciance, with one greater distinction. He wears his tie regularly under his left ear.



Stott

Life's Darkest Moment



A WITNESS CLASS

IN BRITAIN

Anybody Can Wear RCAF Uniform

NOTTINGHAM (UP)—If you feel you'd look good in a Royal Canadian Air Force uniform you can go right ahead in Britain.

Charles Watson was charged Monday with illegally posing as an RCAF corporal. When he contended that the law only forbade the illegal wearing of "Her Majesty's" uniform and that "Her Majesty's" meant British forces only, he threw the court in a tizzy.

After some hasty checking, Magistrate Peter Banks said: "It looks as though he's right and that somebody's left a loophole in the law." Case dismissed.

Many Canadian Cases Eligible For Appeal to Privy Council

By JOHN LEBLANC
(Canadian Press Staff Writer)

OTTAWA (CP)—Though the Canadian Parliament abolished appeals to the Privy Council in London five years ago, a trickle of court cases still is going to that tribunal from Canada.

Three now are before the Privy Council and many more—uncounted—could be taken there for final determination.

Appeals from Canadian courts can go to the Privy Council in cases that were started before Dec. 31, 1949, the effective date of legislation proclaiming the Supreme Court of Canada the final arbiter of Canadian law. Any actions begun after that date cannot go beyond the nine-man Canadian court.

TIED UP IN COURT

But there still remain perhaps hundreds of cases that could conceivably go to London. Some provincial courts—notably in

Quebec—have backlogs stretching to the other side of the cut-off date.

"I wouldn't be surprised to see Canadian cases going to the Privy Council for another 10 years," one federal authority says. No one knows just how many might go. Cases may be taken to Britain from the Supreme Court here or from provincial appeal courts. And the eventual number will depend on the inclination of litigants as their suits are adjudicated in one court or another.

One point is fairly certain—that the Canadian government itself will not be carrying appeals to the Privy Council. In pending cases it may lose in this country. It's understood the government plans to abide by Canadian decisions subject to Privy Council appeals, though it will fight cases opponents take overseas.

Since the shift in jurisdiction,

there has been one exception to this principle. A government order-in-council aimed at holding down grain operators' profits at the time of decontrol of coarse grain prices after the war was challenged by an operator, who beat the government in the Supreme Court.

Because millions of dollars in other operators' potential profits were involved—and the treasury would have had to pay them—the government carried the case to the Privy Council. It won there.

BNA ACT

So far as authorities here are aware, the Privy Council has had its last case involving an interpretation of the Canadian constitution—the British North America Act. It ruled early this year that the federal government has jurisdiction over interprovincial and international highway transport.

The government is involved in one of the cases before the Privy Council now, though it did not initiate the appeal. It is an action for damages by owners of the British freighter Blairnevis, resulting from a collision with HMCS Orkney in the Irish Sea in 1945.

Most recent action heard by the judicial committee—on which it has not yet given decision—is one involving a \$500,000 foundation set up by the late Senator Herbert C. Cox for the benefit of 30,000 employees of Canada Life Assurance Company, of which he had been president. The foundation was increased by \$200,000 on the death of his widow.

The Ontario Court of Appeal and the Supreme Court of Canada, on an appeal by Cox heirs, ruled the trust fund not a charitable foundation.

PADLOCK LAW

Third case now before the Privy Council is a Nova Scotia suit involving mortgage law in which the litigants are Alberta C. Pew against the Chester Point N.S. Realty Company.

Of cases still before Canadian courts that could go to the Privy Council, most important is a test of the validity of Quebec province's 1937 "padlock law" authorizing the one-year closing of premises employed for propagating Communism.

A tax case involving the federal revenue department also may go there. It is a dispute now before the Supreme Court, involving accounting practices in relation to corporate income for tax purposes. The Anacostia Copper Company, which is fighting the government, won its case in the Exchequer Court and has indicated it will go to the Privy Council if necessary.

During the investigations federal payments were suspended.

"It is hoped that federal payments can be resumed early in 1955," Harris said.

PAYMENTS MADE

So far the federal government has paid out \$52,575,864 of its share of \$173,707,971 contract commitments by the provinces for construction on the highway.

This year's operations, in spite of bad weather that held up some projects as much as six weeks in mid-summer, provided 575,000 man-days of work at the construction sites and another 975,000 man-days of employment in supplying provisions, fabrication, transportation and services connected with highway construction.

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BEAVERBROOK

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The first Lord Reading began life as a ship's cabin boy. It is probable that he did not make a very good cabin boy. I can imagine the chief steward shaking his head and saying: "Young Rufus Isaacs isn't very bright at his job. He won't get anywhere." Neither would he, had he made ship's cabins his career. But he did nothing of the kind. And where did he get? To the position of Lord Chief Justice of England and then of Viceroy of India.

Like all human affairs, success is partly a result of predestination and partly of free will. You cannot create genius, but you can either improve or destroy it. But what are the qualities which make for success? I repeat my answer. They are three: judgment, industry, and health, and the greatest of these is judgment.

In the affairs of the world it is the supreme quality. Many men have brilliant schemes and yet are quite unable to execute them. Through their very brilliancy, unsupported by sound judgment, they stumble upon ruin.

Genius goes to the heart of a matter like an arrow from a bow, but judgment is the quality which learns from the world what the world has to teach and then goes on better. Judgment, indeed, is the power to assimilate knowledge and to use it.

But judgment may prove sterile if it is not accompanied by industry. The mill must have grit on which to work. It is industry which pours in the grain.

CONSTANTLY ALERT The faculties, therefore, must be kept constantly alert. A great opportunity may be lost and an irretrievable error committed by a brief break in lucidity or in the train of thought. "He who would be Caesar anywhere," said Kipling, "must know everything everywhere." Nearly everything comes to the man who is always alert.

Men are not born either hopelessly idle or feverishly industrious. They may move in one direction or the other as will or circumstances dictate, but it is open to any man to work. Industry has to be applied in the right direction—and it is therefore the servant of judgment. The true secret of industry well applied is concentration, and there are many ways of learning that art.

The most potent handmaiden of success, industry can be acquired; it should never be squandered. Health is the foundation both of judgment and industry—and therefore of success. Without health everything is difficult. Who can exercise judgment if he is feeling irritable in the morning? Who can work hard if he is suffering from a perpetual illness?

The future lies with the people who will take exercise and not too much exercise. GAME OF LIFE No ordinary man can hope to succeed who does not work his body in moderation, but the danger of the athlete is to believe that in kicking a goal he has won the game of life. His object is no longer to be fit for work, but to be superfluous for play. Obsession with sport leads only to failure, satiety, or impotence.

The pursuit of pleasure is equally ephemeral. Time and experience rob even amusement of its charm, and the night before is not worth next morning's headache.

Practical success alone makes middle-age the most pleasurable period of a man's career. What

has been worked for in youth then comes to its fruition. "Pleasures are like poppies spread." And I am not unwilling to gather poppies. For life must strike a balance between work and pleasure. But I do maintain this—if the scales must lean in any direction, let it be towards work. A man will come to less harm by overworking than he will by overplaying.

Never has Great Britain had greater need of, or offered more scope to, the man or woman whose ambition stirs to make a success of life. Recovered from convalescence after her wartime sufferings, she now requires sons and daughters who will work hard and intelligently. No artificial obstacles will impede them. No bar now prevents poverty rising to the heights of wealth and power.

Men are no longer born into cabinet and city board rooms. True, nepotism and favoritism and privilege still remain. But the ladder of education enables a man born in a cottage or slum to reach the zenith of success and power.

One cannot repeat too often that judgment can be improved, industry can be acquired, health can be attained by those who will take the trouble. These are the foundations on which to build success.

TOMORROW: THAT FIRST \$5,000

CCF Youth Group To Stage Forum On Unemployment

Speakers from each of B.C.'s major political parties will be invited to an open forum on unemployment set for January 26 at the Douglas Street CCF Hall.

The meeting will be sponsored by the CCYM (CCF youth movement). Organization of new discussion groups is also planned for the near future.

Executive of the group met Sunday. Reports were heard on the past year's activity including a recent "TV Review" stage show.

Swedish King Unhurt In Fall on Ice Rink

STOCKHOLM (AP)—King Gustav Adolf of Sweden became entranced with seeing his son skating on a lake outside the palace at Stockholm.

The king, who is 72, took a slide in his shoes, fell and broke his glasses.

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LONDON LETTER

By WALLACE REYBURN

Raincoats for the Navy

LONDON—British soldiers are envious of the fact that the boys in the navy are going to get a raincoat. And they might well be jealous. For a long time they have put up with one of the sloppiest looking, least efficient garments ever thought up by any army to keep off the rain—the groundsheet. Who ever thought up the idea of evolving a sheet of rubberized material that had the dual purpose of giving a soldier something to lie on and a cape to wear when it rains no doubt thought he had contributed something both brilliant and space-saving to the soldiers' equipment.

But the trouble is that anyone who has worn one—and that includes thousands of Canadians during the last war—knows that a groundsheet never properly wraps itself around a body, constantly gets in the way and merely transfers the water which falls on it down to your exposed knees and legs.

The Royal Navy now is abandoning the groundsheet and will issue sailors a specially designed raincoat with warm detachable lining. Flooded with queries as to whether the army will follow suit, the War Office says: "We have no plans to issue a raincoat."



Reyburn

We have experimented with a rainproof greatcoat, but it has not proved satisfactory."

Some art students from the Royal College of Art have had a glimpse of sculptor Epstein's new work, which is sure to create a stir when it goes on display in the place from which it was commissioned—Philadelphia. An art association in that city asked Epstein to interpret "Social Consciousness" and he has done it with a group of 13 feet-high figures which have all the shock appeal of his former work. The three main figures—representing Destiny, Charity and death—are unconventional, to say the least, and when the foundry that is casting the work suggested to him that they cast his name at the base of the sculpture, Epstein said that would be unnecessary—everyone would know it was by him.

Agatha Christie is the first woman to achieve what only a few men have accomplished. As Somerset Maugham, Noel Coward and J. B. Priestley have done in the past, she now has three plays running at once in London. To her "Mousetrap and Witness for the Prosecution," she has now added "The Spider's Web." She wrote it specially for British film star Margaret Lockwood. Panned as a play, it may survive through the interest of the thousands of Lockwood fans in seeing their favorite in the flesh.

WEATHER SYNOPSIS

CITY'S WEATHER RECORD Sunshine, 1955 3.3 hours Last year 3.4 hours Precip. to date 34.4 inches Last year 2.85 inches

SYNOPSIS—The southeast gales which were general over the exposed B.C. coast Monday night will shift abruptly to fresh westerlies over the north coast this morning and over the

south coast during the afternoon. Rain is falling along the coast ahead of the storm with cloudy, showery conditions expected in its wake.

Snow flurries are expected through the interior today, with cloudy, milder weather continuing through Wednesday.

DOMINION PUBLIC WEATHER OFFICE 9 A.M. FORECASTS

Valid until midnight Wednesday

VICTORIA—Cloudy today with rain beginning in morning. Cloudy with scattered showers tonight and Wednesday. Little change in temperature. Wind easterly 20 this morning, shifting to southeasterly 25 this afternoon. Low-high Wednesday: 35 and 40.

WEST COAST—Rain today. Cloudy with showers tonight and Wednesday. Little change in temperature. Wind southeasterly 15 today, light Wednesday. Low-high Wednesday: 35 and 42.

GEORGIA STRAIT—Rain today. Cloudy with scattered showers tonight and Wednesday. Little change in temperature. Wind southeasterly 15 this afternoon. Low-high at Nanaimo: 32 and 40.

SUNRISE, SUNSET WEDNESDAY Sunrise 8:06 Sunset 16:22

TEMPERATURES WEDNESDAY

VICTORIA ONE YEAR GO 45 50

St. John's 25 29 01

Halifax 27 24 14

Montreal 21 28 01

Ottawa 27 24 14

Winnipeg 27 24 14

Regina 27 24 14

Saskatoon 27 24 14

Edmonton 27 24 14

Calgary 27 24 14

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Two Interior B.C. Residents Take Own Lives

DAWSON CREEK, B.C. (CP)—Two suicides, both the result of gunshot wounds, were reported here Monday by RCMP.

Dead of self-inflicted wounds are Roland Letendvre, 47-year-old trapper of Killy Lake, and Andy Boyd, 35, Police Coupe salesman.

Letendvre was discovered in his isolated cabin by relatives when he failed to make a holiday visit. He had been shot through the throat and a gun lay nearby.

Boyd's body was found by his wife in their home, which had been damaged by a fire New Year's Eve. The couple moved to a hotel after the fire and Boyd apparently returned to the house alone.

Doctors, Lawyers Subject of Probe For Tax Evasion

TORONTO (CP)—The Telegram says a concentrated hunt for income tax evaders or defaulers among Toronto professional men, particularly physicians and lawyers, is under way.

A large squad of special investigators of the department of internal revenue, many of them brought from outside the city, has been given the job. The investigators are working in co-operation with the Toronto income tax office amid great secrecy, the newspaper says.

The amount of unpaid taxes they hope to ferret out may run into millions of dollars, the paper adds.

Logging Company Offers Buildings For Camp School

PORT ALBERNI—At a special meeting of the Alberni District School Board, called to consider accommodation at Franklin River Camp B where the school building was recently lost by fire, it was agreed to hold classes in the recreation hall.

Company officials will be prepared to offer the use of two bunkhouses as a temporary school until a permanent building is erected. The matter of rebuilding is to be considered by the board after insurance adjustments have been made.

Enraged Father Blamed for Fire In Which 5 Died

SAGINAW, Mich. (AP)—An enraged father was accused of kicking over an oil heater during a family quarrel Monday night, touching off a fire that killed five children—three of them his own—and critically burned his wife.

Police said Eugene Pierce, 29, who was estranged from his wife, deliberately overturned the stove in a scuffle with his father-in-law.

Col. Cameron New CO Of 25th Brigade

OTTAWA (CP)—Col. Donald C. Cameron, DSO, 43, of Alexandria, Ont., the army's director of infantry, will be appointed commander of the 25th Canadian Infantry Brigade early next month, army headquarters announced today. The appointment carries with it the acting rank of brigadier.

Headquarters of the brigade, which served in the Korean war, now is at Camp Borden, Ont.

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ORPHANS RESUME FEUD WITH ATHLETICS HERE

Victoria's plaid-knickered Orphans, local senior A men's basketball representatives, get back to feuding with Alberni Athletics Saturday night at Central Junior High School gym.

The two clubs, who meet later this year for the Island title, tangle in their fourth game of the season Saturday night. Alberni holding three decisions over Howie Tooby's unsponsored Orphans on foreign floors. Orphans winning the only game played thus far in Victoria.

Game time is 8:30 with preliminary starting at 7:30 between First United Boys and Tillicums.

IT'S MY VIEW

By BILL WALKER, Sports Editor

Have the Cougars really gone sour, or have they hit what every team hits, at times—a recession period?

It's a brand new year for the club, but carrying over from the last one. And indications are that more must be done from now on, simply because there is more to do, the halfway mark of the schedule being behind Western League clubs.

Coach Billy Reay agrees that a type of staleness has hit the team after its rise to prominence.

The dash and fire is still there but the spark is missing. The men of Billy Reay have lost the fine edge they displayed in the weeks previous to the holiday season.

Now and now are faced with the problem of recouping their losses—but quickly.

"If we don't, we can't stand still," Reay said Monday when commenting on the club and the upcoming schedule.

And awfully, awfully true is the solemn declaration:

The Western League race is so intense at the moment that it is almost suicidal for any club to fall into a prolonged slump.

Only Edmonton Flyers and the ever-amazing New Westminster Royals have escaped the fullness of such a fate so far.

The Royals' turn could be coming. They hit heavy sledding this week on the prairies. The tough schedule of eight games in 13 days could be their downfall—or salvation.

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Champs in Their Field

One of the sports highlights of the month will be the Victoria Squash Racquets Club Invitational Tournament, at the club courts, to be held Friday, Saturday and Sunday nights. Leading players from Canada and the U.S. have filed entry in the tournament and a skilled field is expected to contest the titles. Among the top players will be, left to right, Dr. Kemble Greenwood of the Victoria club, and Lieut. Brian Bell-Irving, RCN, seen practicing for the big event. Dr. Greenwood was formerly British Army champion and British champion county representative, while Lieut. Bell-Irving currently holds the British Columbia "A" championship. (RCN Photo.)

COACHES, ATHLETES WELCOME

Track Clinic Set for UBC

The First British Columbia Track and Field Coaching Clinic will be held at the University of British Columbia Saturday and Sunday.

"Lack of competent coaches," has sparked the B.C. Track and Field Association and the Community Programs Branch into organizing clinics for athletes and prospective coaches alike, it has been announced.

The Association—feel that Canadian track and field athletes are "falling far behind other countries in quantity and quality."

Frank Collier, First Vice-President of the Association, heads the committee that has formed the first B.C. coaching clinic, patterned along those of the National Track and Field Association.

Saturday's activities include an opening address by F. N. A. Rowell, National Chairman of Track and Field, a talk on administration by R. J. (Bud) Phillips, co-ordinator of athletics at U.B.C., "Value of Conditioning" by Professor Bob Osborne, director of Faculty of Athletics, U.B.C., a talk on throwing events by John Pavlich, silver medalist in the British Empire Games, and talks by W. Strang and F. Collier, coaches of the Vancouver YMCA.

On Sunday Hans Knut Voge, coach of the Vancouver Olympic Club, and Rowell, head coach of the Olympic Club, will speak on the jumping events. Running events will be handled by Strang who was hurdles and distance running coach of the 1953 B.C. team attending the Canadian Olympic Training Plant, Harry Mitchell, 1954 coach of the B.C. team and Bruce Humber, 1952 Olympic coach, will speak on the sprints and middle distance events, respectively.

There will also be an evaluation period before dispersal. An all-inclusive \$10 fee, payable at the time of application at the UBC Memorial Gymnasium between 7:30 and 10 p.m. Friday or 8 and 9:30 a.m. Saturday, includes accommodation for Friday and Saturday evenings; lunch and dinner Saturday and Sunday; all lectures, pamphlets, etc., and a Saturday night social.

A semi-inclusive fee of \$4 includes lectures, pamphlets, etc., and a social.

The quality of the participating coaches and athletes, along with the excellent training films to be shown are expected to guarantee the success of the clinic.

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BRITISH CLUBS GAIN FINANCIALLY

Arc-Light Soccer Popular Now

LONDON (CP) — Floodlit soccer in Britain is a brighter financial proposition every year.

Despite what the critics said three years ago when Arsenal pioneered the after-dark game, more teams are planning to install systems which range in cost from £350 to £10,000.

About 30 have lights, reports the Football Association. Their worth was generally proved in 1954 with lucrative night exhibition contests, topped by the drawing power of teams from Russia.

The English professional football league may be some time away from league contests under the lights-possible when all the 92 teams have installed floodlights. But the FA is encouraging installation slowly, partly to aid soccer training.

The detractors said the country's 1,000,000 soccer fans would not venture out in the cold, clammy winter nights to watch soccer; that night play would prove dangerous.

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JUST For The RECORD

WHEW: In Grand Forks, B.C., the old days when the cowboy rode his horse into a bar to drink from the saddle have not yet gone.

Jim Flynn, bachelor old-timer of Grand Forks district, jolted New Year's Eve merry-makers when he rode his big grey horse, Goldie, into the beer parlor of the Yale Hotel, called for two glasses of beer, drank them without dismounting, slapped a \$5 bill on the counter and rode out again.

The proprietor, normally averse to high jinks in his establishment, yielded to the mirth of other patrons as he served Flynn—but he was still mopping his brow when horse and rider left.

FORMULA: In Rinkeroed, Germany, Ella Esser, a former schoolteacher who celebrated her 104th birthday here New Year's Day, revealed her formula for longevity:

"Three cups of coffee and a shot of cognac, every day, rain or shine."

FORECAST: In St. Paul, Minn., an advertising firm made the long-range forecast Monday that 1956 will be a good year for business.

Brown & Bigelow based its prediction on advance sales of nearly \$9,000,000 worth of 1956 calendars.

SHORRY: In Huntington, W.Va., Calvin L. Dillon, 25, of Bradrick, O., was stopped by police Sunday as he walked down the street carrying a telephone in his hand.

He told police he disconnected the phone when his wife objected to his going out to celebrate the New Year and threatened to call the police if he did.

Dillon was booked on a drunkenness charge.

NITEY-NITE: In Long Beach, Calif., similar apartment doors proved to be Carl R. Carlson's undoing after a night of celebrating the New Year.

Carlson, 50, staggered wearily into Mrs. Jane Berry's apartment, stripped off his shorts and muttered, "Hi, Honey... guess I'll go to bed."

"I don't know who you are," Mrs. Berry snapped.

"Aw, quit your kidding," Carlson replied as he pulled the covers over himself.

Mrs. Berry wasn't. She called police who hit Carlson with a drunk charge.

ACROSS

- Black Joe
- Marie
- Bored Little Alice Blue
- He wrote "The Raven"
- River in Asia
- Operatic solo
- Actress Gardner
- Good neighbors of the U.S.
- Missives
- Small bay
- Pronoun
- Shade trees
- Up hill and down
- Entry in a dictionary
- Flag
- Mountain ridges
- Jury summons
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- Laundry device
- Dance step
- Regrets
- Light fog
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- Had confidence
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- Persian poet
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- Mineral rocks
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Answer to Previous Puzzle

AVAST! CARGO
LEVER AHEAD!
CLEATS FASTENED!
ADZE! JACQUES!
REPEATER USES
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MORE EARS!
TIRE NOISE!
SLIDES! CHLASE
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SERIN PROPS

Polish Con Girl Dupes Red Factory Heads, Bureaucrats

LONDON (Reuters)—Communist Poland has ruefully revealed that a fast-talking girl with a flashing smile almost took over the country's production machinery from be-dazzled bureaucrats recently.

Beautiful Lucyna Hartman hadn't a credential to her name, but she did have a shapely figure, good clothes and enough poise to convince one factory manager after another that she was really a "senior inspector of the ministry of control."

Lucyna's story is related in the Warsaw newspaper *Zycie Warszawy* of Dec. 23, a copy of which reached London Monday. The paper tells how the glamorous "Mrs. Inspector" went from one state-run factory to another in official cars furnished by managers.

More often than not the managers went along with Lucyna to her next stop in their search for favors—official and other—wise—from the shapely impostor.

They were usually more eager to make hefty cash loans to Lucyna after she had finished discussing drawbacks in their production setups—or alternately had offered to intervene personally for them in the controls ministry governing Polish production.

Then Lucyna would go on to her next stop, telephone factory heads from her hotel and wait for them to send an official limousine to carry her on a new inspection tour.

Lucyna's gay career as a Communist bureaucrat lasted for two months. When security police finally caught up with her she was on vacation in a mountain resort—accompanied by two red-faced factory managers who were still trying to butter up their charming "boss."

The paper's account doesn't say what happened to the girl, or to the factory men who fell for her line.

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CRUCIAL MOMENT in rigger's day comes in few seconds when top begins to creak, lean, then crash to ground, leaving pole ready for rigging as loggers spar tree. In upper picture, Ron Walker is seen sinking axe into

Sooke Rigger Will Hang Up Axe After 21 Years of Work Aloft

By D. R. FORRESTER
Times Sooke Correspondent

SOOKE—Ron Walker, 42, well-known rigger for the Elder Timber Co. Ltd., has decided to keep his feet on the ground after 21 years of work at his spectacular trade.

"Getting too old," he told me at the camp just a few days ago.

A little gentle prodding, though, revealed that a back injury sustained in a fall from the competition tree in the All-Sooke Day climbing contest in 1949 has begun to trouble him again.

Although the rigger is the dean of any logging operation, Ron refuses to accept any honors that are not his, and took exception to a newspaper story, Dec. 27, that referred to him as woods superintendent for the company.

"I'm the rigger," he said. "I'm paid by the day, and work when the others work. When they are laid off, I'm laid off too."

The story told of the near-tragedy when his home burned down Christmas night.

"I'm not over that yet," he said. "Two of our five children were in bed, and the others were watching television at a neighbor's house. The house went so fast that we never would have got all five out if they had been asleep."

The most harrowing experience, though, was in seeing some of the three heading into the house, and not being sure

they were out. Several minutes passed before he could "count Sooke," he said.

In the eight years he has worked for his present employer he has topped more than 100 trees, but he has lost count of his lifetime total.

He does, however, remember the first.

As the top started to fall he let his short-handled topping axe, sharp as a razor, hang from its lanyard while he braced himself against the whip of the standing trunk.

FLYING AXE

"First thing you know I was going so fast that the axe, tied by the rope to my belt, was jerked toward me," he said. "The blade cut my coat under my armpit and stuck in the tree, so that was the last time I did that. Although some riggers hold the axe in their hand, I sink it into the top of the tree."

The pictures above were taken by Ken McAllister of Sooke during a day spent at

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Mayor Muir Names Council Committees

New Aldermen Sworn to Office; Grant Made To Historical Society for Pageant Costs

NANAIMO—First council meeting of 1955 opened Monday night with the swearing into office by Magistrate Lionel Beevor-Potts of Aldermen George Bryce, Mrs. Alan Hall and J. Grant Williams.

Appearance of newly-elected Ald. Williams brought a note of tragedy to the meeting, since his mother, Mrs. Barbara Williams, who was killed New Year's Eve in a highway accident, was to have attended the ceremony.

Ald. Williams takes the place of Miss Elsie Hall, who retired Dec. 31 after four years on the council.

CHAIRMEN NAMED

Mayor George Muir appointed committee chairmen as follows: Ald. Mrs. Hall, finance and new industries; Ald. R. Fawdry, streets and sewers; Ald. Bryce, waterworks; Ald. Haig Burns, legislative; Ald. W. C. McGregor, fire and lighting; Ald. Williams, properties, cemetery and garbage.

Mayor Muir commended the work done by the 1954 council. "It is evident that the citizens were quite pleased with the results, even in the face of the defeated fire hall-police station by-law," he said, "since Aldermen Bryce and Mrs. Hall both were returned to office."

AID HISTORIANS

A request from the secretary of the B.C. Historical Association, Nanaimo branch, for assistance from the city to help defray a deficit incurred by the Princess Royal Day celebration Nov. 27 was acknowledged and a grant of \$250 was made.

"In view of the wonderful work done by the group, the magnificent program, and the Empire-wide publicity this city enjoyed, I feel that we should

Driver Found Free of Blame In Fatality

NANAIMO—A coroner's jury here on Monday absolved truck driver Abraham Batt of all blame in connection with the death New Year's Eve of Mrs. Barbara Mae Williams at Nanaimo Bay.

Verdict was accidental death. Batt was the driver of an Island Linen Supply truck that struck the 71-year-old woman as she was crossing the Island Highway from her home to the store she operated with her husband, John Williams.

Const. Iain Hall, RCMP, Parksville, testified that Mrs. Williams had been struck 65 yards beyond a sign reading "slow to 30 miles per hour." Skid marks on the road showed the truck had stopped within proper legal limits of braking, he said.

The jury recommended that the sign be moved back. Mrs. Williams started to run when he sounded his horn, Batt said, and was struck by the right-hand side of the vehicle.

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PORT ALBERNI PRECIPITATION 84.60 INCHES

PORT ALBERNI—November proved to be the wettest month in the Alberni district last year, according to figures released by MacMillan & Bloedel Ltd. pulp mill division, that showed rainfall of 18.30 inches.

December was a close second with 16 inches. Total for the year was 84.60 inches, which was .15 inch less than 1953, but 14.65 inches more than the five-year average.

Precipitation in other months was as follows: January, 13.44 inches; February, 14.47; March, 2.52; April, 4.50; May, 1.40; June, 1.81; July, 1.33; August, 1.52; September, 1.75; October, 7.56.

Duncan Building Sets New Record

DUNCAN (CP)—Building permits issued in the city in 1954 reached \$464,030, an all-time high, city clerk Gordon Berry reported to council.

The figure is up almost \$100,000 from 1953 and triple the value of permits issued in 1952. Included in the 1954 total is \$85,000 for the new city hall.

Police Thwart Suicide Try; Second Man Takes Own Life

NANAIMO—A suicide here Monday, and an attempted suicide New Year's Eve, kept police here busy during the holiday season.

Police found the body of a 72-year-old man in bed in his Halliburton Street home at 10.30 p.m. Monday night. A bachelor, he had died of bullet wound in the head. He is believed to have relatives in Germany.

A near-successful attempt by a 25-year-old Finnish immigrant to take his life was stopped by police Friday night when he was found in a local hotel.

He had cut his larynx and jugular vein, and fought against

five people who placed him in an ambulance. An emergency operation by two doctors summoned from New Year parties was credited with saving his life, but it is believed he has lost his voice permanently.

He was brought to Victoria New Year's Day, and is being held under guard in Royal Jubilee Hospital.

Community Club Host At New Year's Party

LANGFORD—Community Club here celebrated New Year's Eve for the first time in several years with a cabaret dance attended by 80 couples.

Colwoodaires provided the music and a turkey supper was served. David Gardiner and Ed Thow had charge of arrangements.

INJUNCTION STALLS COUNT ON ELECTION

PARKSVILLE (BUP)—Negotiations to hold a further count of ballots polled at the recent municipal election for three commissioners here will prevent new village commissioners from taking office as scheduled today.

G. W. Begley, candidate in the election, delayed a further count set for last week by obtaining an injunction filed in Supreme Court.

How to speed up your reading

To get ahead in a job—or land one—the ability to read quickly can spell the difference between success and failure. Yet most of us are poor readers.

January Reader's Digest reveals the bad reading habits that can cost you time, money—even a better job; offers simple suggestions to help break them. Get January Reader's Digest today: 37 articles of lasting interest, including the best from leading magazines and current books, in condensed form.

OUTSHINES ALL OTHERS

More Polish Per Tin

10 POPULAR SHADES

SATURDAY'S TIMES OFFERS EXCELLENT READING

Love Creates Discipline Says

Dr. Benjamin Spock



A child who knows and realizes that he is loved can be more easily disciplined than a child who is not too sure of his parents. He will try to win approval and at times will know the feeling of shame after displeasing them. All this is very good for the child's character forming, says Dr. Spock in the first of a four-part article about child welfare appearing in our Weekend Magazine. Photos are by Bert Beaver.

"Just Hold My Hand"

A story by Valeria Winkler Griffith is our fiction choice for you this week. It is a romantic tale of love in a dentist's chair. Our short story by Louis Arthur Cunningham is entitled "The Vision of an Angel" and tells of an odd meeting between a lady music lover and a champion moose caller.



Most Photo'd Girl

Actress Mara Corday is being publicized by her film studio as the most photographed girl in the world. She sure looks cute enough! Our Weekend Magazine includes more photos.

Twelfth Bonfire

On the twelfth night after Christmas an ancient custom is followed by the townspeople of Orillia, Ont. They end the festive season with a huge bonfire in the town's main square made of discarded Christmas trees. As many as two thousand trees are piled high. Watch for our photo-story by Jock Carroll.

From Planes to Sleighs

Montreal's Doug Connor, D.F.C. and Bar, a former R.C.A.F. wing commander, will be piloting a bobsleigh in the World Amateur Championships to be held in Switzerland in a few weeks' time. Speedy and dangerous, "you just hold on and pray" says Connor.

THESE AND MANY OTHER FINE FEATURES IN OUR SATURDAY ISSUE!

Hockey Star Photos

In Full Color, for Your Scrap-book

Harry Lumley, Toronto Maple Leafs' great goalie, is the first hockey star to appear in our grand new series. At the age of 28 he is referred to as "the key to Leafs' success." A big man, he's a harsh competitor.

VICTORIA DAILY TIMES

40,000 CARDS, GIFTS, HOT WATER BOTTLE

Fans Overwhelm Ailing Liberace With Favors

JOE SINGS SWAN SONG; MCCARTHYWASM NOW?

By HERBERT FOSTER
WASHINGTON (UP)—Sen. Joseph R. McCarthy ended two tumultuous years of investigations Monday with a "swan song" hearing that produced contempt citations against three alleged Communists.

He closed what he said would be the last public hearing under his chairmanship.

McCarthy's controversial tenure as head of the investigating group will close officially when the Democrats take control of Congress later this week. Sen. John L. McClellan (D., Ark.) is slated to succeed him.

NO-PIE-IN-THE-SKY

2 Out of 9 Canadians Tap Federal Treasury Monthly

OTTAWA (BUP)—Two out of every nine Canadians, from infants to oldsters, today draw money from the federal treasury.

Last year, some 3,300,000 of this country's 15,000,000 citizens drew federal payments and owed their livings, partly or wholly, to the national government. The number now stands at about 3,700,000 and they receive a total of some \$5,000,000 a day.

Heading the list of those on the receiving end of Ottawa pay

checks are nearly 140,000 salaried civil servants, some 150,000 crown-company employees, about 115,000 in the armed forces, more than 45,000 pre-

ailing-rate workers, casual employees and ships' crews, and 5,000-plus members of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police.

Their total payroll this year will top \$1,000,000,000.

The next largest slice of the federal dollar-pie goes out in family allowances. Almost \$465,000,000 was ladled out this year to 2,162,261 families for nearly 5,069,000 children.

About 200,000 war veterans and dependents received some \$200,000,000 during 1954 in pensions, allowances and other payments.

Payments of old age pensions for 1954-55 year ending next March 31 will run to some \$340,000,000. About 737,000 men and women over 70 receive the monthly cheques.

And another 93,000, aged 65 to 70, are getting the means-tested pension. This year's total will come to about \$40,000,000, with the federal and provincial governments splitting the tab 50-50.

Some 8,200 blind persons got about \$3,000,000 in pensions during the year. Ottawa bore 75 per cent of the cost and the provinces the rest.

It all boils down to this: Close to a quarter of the country's population gets part or all its living from federal coffers.

And the number, despite government efforts at paring, keeps rising.

By ALINE MOSBY
HOLLYWOOD (UP)—

Liberace is being helped on the road to recovery by getting well gifts from his fans.

Among other things he's received 40,000 cards, a monogrammed hot water bottle and sequined playing cards.

Liberace recently revealed he was suffering from a mild heart strain and he had been ordered to stay in bed for two months.

The pianist is recovering so nicely that he has been hopping out to dinner at the Coconut Grove and other well-upholstered recuperation centres.

I dropped around to his business manager's office to see how the Liberace fans were faring, and apparently they feel worse than Liberace.

Some of the more concerned fans of TV's genuine matinee idol sent him gifts. One is the hot water bottle. It has a felt cover embroidered with that piano and the signature, "Liberace." That autograph is on nearly everything the fans sent—hand-painted ties, socks, handkerchiefs and the playing cards, sprinkled with sequins.

An 88-year-old Cincinnati lady, who says she wears a tiny Liberace piano-candle emblem on her coat, wrote, "for heaven's sake, rest, we have all expected too much of you."

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BALLET COMPANY SIGNED—Celia Franca, artistic director of the National Ballet Company of Canada, signs a contract on behalf of the company with the William Morris Agency of New York, London, Paris and Hollywood, one of the largest theatrical agencies in the world. The agency, which handles such stars as Danny Kaye, Judy Garland, Frank Sinatra and Spencer Tracy, will book engagements in the United States and Europe for the Canadian company. The company will tour eastern Canada and the eastern United States this winter, playing in New York in mid-March. (CP Photo.)

3 Provincial Votes Likely This Year

Ontario, Newfoundland and P.E.I. Expected to Call New Elections

OTTAWA (CP)—None of Canada's governments must go before the electors until 1956, but voters in three provinces probably will be called on to vote this year.

Contests are in prospect in Ontario—where the Progressive Conservatives have been in power 11 years—and in Liberal-held Newfoundland and Prince Edward Island.

Possibility of Ontario Premier Leslie Frost of Ontario will be the first to go to the country. His term runs until November, 1956, but it is expected he will call an election this year, perhaps in June.

The contest will bring into the campaign a new CCF leader—Donald C. MacDonald—who has never been in the legislature. He took over a year ago as Ontario leader of the party holding two of the 90 seats in the House.

Farquhar Oliver, who led the Liberals in the 1948 election and later resigned as leader, will again head the party after returning to the job in 1953. The Liberals' official Opposition, hold six seats against 79 for the Progressive Conservatives.

At the moment, the chief election issue in sight is the highways situation involving charges of maladministration in the highways department. A select committee of the legislature has investigated the department. Its report is expected at the 1955 session.

P.E.I. LIKELY

In Prince Edward Island, an expected 1955 election will bring Hon. Alex W. Matheson, 51, before the people for the first time as premier. He took over the Liberal government last year when Hon. J. Walter Jones—since dead—went to the Senate.

The Liberals' term runs until April, 1956, but general opinion is that Premier Matheson will go to the polls this year. His group holds 24 of the 30 seats

Wurtele Plans Municipal Hall Improvements

Reeve A. C. Wurtele Monday night recommended extensive alteration to the Esquimalt Municipal Hall and expansion of some civic departments.

In his inaugural address for 1955, the reeve suggested an architect be employed to draw up plans for the hall changes.

His proposals included construction of a new council chamber with an adjacent committee room, moving the engineer's office to the ground floor, construction of a room for the storage of municipal records, and alterations to police and fire offices, if necessary.

Reeve Wurtele also recommended that an assistant assessor be appointed, in view of the extra work in that department made necessary by the changes in assessments just instituted by provincial government.

The reeve sketched the need for reorganization of certain parts of municipal office routine, and asked that the municipal clerk, J. W. Allan, be empowered to plan the reorganization and present it to the council for approval.

He recommended that an agreement be reached with the Department of National Defense with regard to reconstruction of Admirals Road, and outlined a municipal public works program which included establish-

Intimate Stage To Present Drama

A tense drama, "The Old Ladies," will be presented by the Intimate Stage at the Art Centre, Moss Street, on Jan. 17 and 18 at 8.30 p.m.

Performed after the manner of the old Greek theatres, with the audience sitting around the stage, the play will star Gwen Downes, Mary Measures, and Constance Ellis.

Director will be Flora Nicholson. "The Old Ladies" was dramatised for the stage by Rodney Ackland from a story by Hugh Walpole.

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11.30 - 12.00—Public Skating

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Yarns and Knitted Wear
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By PENNY SAVER

Wools... wools... and more wools! That's the way it looked to me when I walked into a certain specialty shop this morning. Wasn't long until I realized there was a lot more in this interesting store. Then I changed my song to wools and woolies... and more wools and woolies!

I found... among other things... hand-knitted Indian sweaters made of the finest yarn in any one of the Mary Maxine patterns. They were featured at \$29.50. Soft white or colored yarns comprise the varied styles of these sweaters. Perfect for chilly winter days!

There are dainty baby clothes—sweaters, booties, bonnets, and everything imaginable, hand crocheted to your orders. Unfinished articles, needing only trimming in your choice of color and design are available at prices ranging from 95 cents for booties to \$5.95 for complete sets with ribbons, tiny flowers, and any other trim that you desire.

Tea cosies in vibrant colors to match your mood, and with dozens of tiny forget-me-nots perched on top are selling for \$2.50. They are hand-made, too. If the color you desire is not in the store, they will make it up for you to order.

Both German and French yarns are featured... 45 cents for a two-ounce skein or \$1.19 a ball. These yarns bring thoughts of rich woolsen sweaters, scarves and all warm clothing needed for the colder weather. To hold your knitting, handy plaid knitting bags are displayed at \$1.95. They are roomy and have sturdy handles. There is a choice of plaids.

Hand-woven scarves, fringed with rich-looking gold thread running full length, are a good buy at \$5.95. Very soft and luxurious, these scarves have the distinction of being individual and different; they're not the run-of-the-mill scarves that you can find just anywhere!

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by Anne Adams
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beginners (like me!). A gorgeous array of embroidery cottons at very reasonable prices are shown. All the supplies you could ever need for knitting, embroidering, and crocheting is available at this little shop.

I also discovered on my morning penny-saving tour a large selection of nylon, cotton, rayon and new fabric blouses at prices ranging from \$4.50 to \$7.95 are held... just the right thing to go with that new tailored skirt!

Do you need a new apron? Would you like taffeta, cotton, something fluffy for entertaining or a substantial, but very attractive one for everyday cooking? Ranging from 95 cents to \$3.95, these aprons are hand-made in Quebec and are among the prettiest that I have seen in town.



by Alice Brooks
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Grand finale for the turkey—now the holidays are over—may well be a macaroni casserole. Turn two cans of macaroni (in cheese sauce) into a baking dish. Add one cup or more of cubed turkey (or chicken). Then stir in 1/4 cup of chopped stuffed olives. If desired, top with some grated cheese. Bake the macaroni at 400° F. about 1/2 hour or till well heated. (For faster heating, put macaroni-turkey in saucepan; heat on surface unit). Mighty luscious dining. Team the hot macaroni with fruit salad of apricots and cottage cheese.

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WHY GROW OLD?

By JOSEPHINE LOWMAN

Seams Splitting? Marathon
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Substitute fresh fruit or water canned fruit for the usual desserts.

Don't blame it on the dry cleaners or on your glands! It is true that the cleaners do sometimes shrink your dresses or your suits, and that in a very few instances, glands play a part in the bursting seams.

However, more often it is simply a matter of eating too much, a matter of wishful thinking or lack of information. Perhaps you have felt that you were eating very little—but what did you eat? Maybe one fried egg at breakfast and a piece of toast dripping in butter with some jelly?

Then you skipped lunch but became so hungry that you stopped by the drug store for a chocolate malted milk? If you did, you spent almost half of the calories you need on a reducing diet.

You can eat an adequate and satisfying diet and still lose weight if you will remember to broil, boil or bake, rather than fry foods, go light on fats (butter, margarine, cream, cream sauces, salad oils and dressings, fat meat), take smaller portions, forget in-between meal snacks and substitute fresh fruit or water canned fruit for the usual desserts. That's how simple it is if you will do this and count your calories—not more than 1,400 a day.

I write with sympathy because I gain weight very easily and must constantly remain aware of the facts I am giving you today. I myself, have often blamed it on the dry cleaners, in a fit of rebellion, and then I have stepped on the scales to find that I had gained five to eight pounds.

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AS WE LIVE

Stepmother's Job
Not an Easy One

By ELIZABETH B. HURLOCK, PhD

Being a stepmother is one of the most difficult jobs in the world. A young woman should face this frankly before she makes a decision to marry. Here's a young woman with such a problem:

(Q)—"I am 22 years old and have been going with a man 10 years my senior. He is a widower with a 10-year-old son. I love him very much and I know he loves me, for he has asked me to marry him. My folks are very much opposed to the marriage. They feel I am too young to assume the responsibility of taking care of this boy. The grandmother has been living at my friend's home and taking care of the boy, since his mother's death two years ago. I feel that she does not approve of me either, but I know the boy is fond of me. I have never had much experience with children, since I am an only child. Advice?"

(A)—I agree with your parents and with the boy's grandmother. You are not fitted, at this time, for the responsibilities that would fall on your shoulders if you married this man.

The grandmother's opposition will not help make things easy for you. While she undoubtedly would move out and turn over the management of the home and the child to you, she could still be a trouble-maker with the boy and his father.

If you love this man so much you feel you never could be happy unless you married him, I suggest two things you might do to prepare yourself for your life with him. Both will take time.

First, take a course in child care at the local YWCA, the high school, or wherever such a course is given. Then teach a Sunday School class, or help with Girl Scouts, Brownies, or other such community organizations dealing with children.

Second, try to win the grandmother's respect and confidence. Drop in to see her during the day, and ask her to tell you how she handles the boy. Ask her if she would be willing to stay for a period of time after your marriage until you learned how to manage the boy and the home. If she is willing to help you, you should be able to make a go of this marriage.

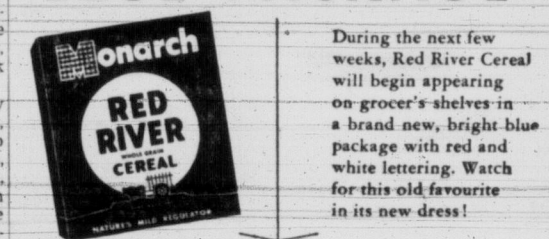
HOUSEHOLD HINTS

If a home seems pleasing and invigorating to you, chances are the walls are green. -Because we associate this color with nature, it's a popular decorating color.

Nice mixture of practicality and glamour for frosty evenings is found in the white wool knit glove edged in gold crochet and spattered with rhinestones.

However inaccessible it is, don't jerk on the cord to pull a plug out. Get down on your knees, if you have to, and pull the plug itself.

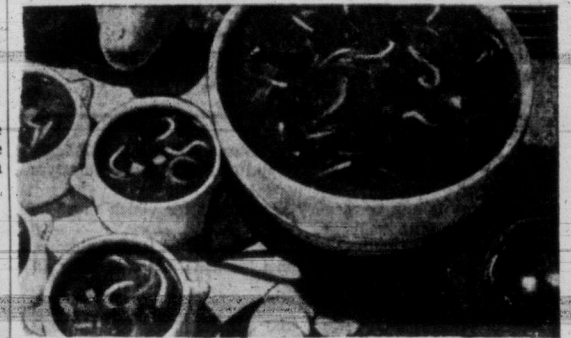
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New Soups From Two Soups



Beef noodle dandy soup holds the centre of attention at buffet supper. This two-in-one soup (from cans) is a blend of beef and beef noodle. Pass crunchy crackers and cheese to guests along with soup. Sweet finish is a tray of chocolate chip cookies, pears and apples. Wonderful meal you can fix for easy meals.

Step into your kitchen, Milady, and stir up some "new soups from two soups."

It's a wonder to discover how many extra special soups you can concoct this way... by simply combining a can of one kind with another. You already may be a soup mixer. And once you begin making combinations, you find a treasury of new soups to brighten meals for your family. Busy homemakers enjoy serving such sturdy, quick dishes.

"Happy couples" among the soups are standbys like tomato with onion; cream of chicken with cream of celery; vegetable soup with chicken noodle.

Soups with the same basic flavor—such as the four beef kinds—will combine into a variety of lip-smacking new delicacies. Try beef soup with

beef noodle. Still another tempting team... beef soup with onion.

You can turn out even more new soups from the "beef group" by mixing three kinds. Try some of these tested-succesful soup-mates. And you'll be plotting many other happy matches as you look over the dozens of kinds in cans.

Note: When making a soup combination, you may prefer to add less liquid than usual. A good proportion is two cans of soup plus one and one-half cans water.

BEEF NOODLE-DANDY SOUP
One can (1 1/4 cups) condensed beef soup, 1 can (1 1/4 cups) condensed beef noodle soup, 1 1/2 cans water. Blend soups and water. Heat and allow to simmer five minutes. Makes four servings.

BEEF-ONION NOODLE SOUP
One can (1 1/4 cups) condensed beef soup, 1 can (1 1/4 cups) condensed beef noodle soup, 1 can (1 1/4 cups) condensed onion soup, 2 cans water. Blend soups. Heat and simmer about 5 minutes. Makes four servings.

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A Holiday Visitor

Mrs. J. M. Ewing came from Vancouver during the holiday season to be the guest of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Campbell at their home on Beach Drive. Mrs. Ewing, who formerly lived in Victoria—is now director of Junior Red Cross for British Columbia, with headquarters in the mainland city.

Manitoba Women Say Judo Is Good for Mind and Body

WINNIPEG (CP)—The Manitoba Judo Club's first woman judoist is winsome Beryl Fox, 23, five-foot-two brunette who believes judo is a good way to acquire culture.

"The sport is one of skill, and is definitely not for low-brows," she says. "It is good for both the mind and body. Our club alone has numerous nationalities and you get to know them extremely well. Then, too, we bow to each other before we commence our exercises. Small things like this make it one of the finest ways to obtain culture that I know of."

Although she's a true judoist at heart, the feminine trait came out when she was asked what she would do if she was attacked. "The first thing I'd do is scream," she said.

ROUGH AT START

Despite the floor padding at the club and the gentleness of her instructors, the Winnipeg miss admitted that she acquired an assortment of bruises the first two weeks while she was learning to fall properly.

Beryl, an ardent horse rider and skier, explained that judo is a sport to acquire rhythm, grace and body co-ordination. It is not like the combat jiu jitsu, which is recognized for its deadly locks and holds.

OF PERSONAL INTEREST

At B.C. House in London

Among those signing the register at British Columbia House, London, recently, were P.O.F. J. Lenk, RCN, of Victoria. Miss Violet Hayward of Duncan has also been a visitor at B.C. House recently.

Langford Notes

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Tallman have returned to their home in Nanaimo, after spending the holidays visiting Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Paterson, Island Highway, Langford Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Mortimore of Duncan have returned to their home after spending the holiday season at Langford Lake visiting their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. G. Mortimore, Island Highway.

Return to University

Miss Carroll Butler and Mr. Peter Butler, daughter and son of Mrs. L. M. Crookston, Torquay Drive, left Sunday for Vancouver, where they are students at University of British Columbia. While home, Miss Butler was bridesmaid and her brother an usher at the wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Craster.

Tea Hour Hostess

Mrs. D. Earl entertained at the tea hour at her Richardson Street home recently. Holly, chrysanthemums, cedar and ivy decorated the room, while the table was ornamented with a large red flowering begonia on a table mirror, flanked by tall green candles in crystal holders.

Five Years' Mission Work In Bolivia

REGINA (CP)—Jane Hood of Regina did "a little bit of everything" while working at La Paz, Bolivia, as program director of the Canadian Baptist Mission's radio station there. Now she's returned home to be married.

Miss Hood spent five years in Bolivia after graduating from McMaster University, Hamilton. She says the mission station tried to improve the level of Bolivian broadcasting which she describes as "pretty terrible." The station's programs are cultural, educational and religious.

Miss Hood and her Bolivian husband will live in Vancouver where he is studying at the University of British Columbia.

CLUB CALENDAR

Sir James and Lady Douglas Chapter, IOOE, Thursday at 2 p.m. at home of Mrs. A. Drysdale, 602 Garbally Road. Nominations of officers... Florence Nightingale Chapter, IOOE, Wednesday at 2 p.m. at home of Mrs. Emerson Smith, 353 Linden Avenue.

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OF PERSONAL INTEREST

A Wedding in London, Eng.

A wedding of interest to friends in Victoria took place recently in London when Sheila Ann, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Butler, of Nairobi, and David, youngest son of Mrs. E. L. Moilliet and the late Major Moilliet, of Esquimalt, B.C., were married in Holy Trinity Church, Brampton, by the Rev. P. N. Gilliat, MA. The best man was Sub-Lieut. T. Wainman, Wood, of Maple Bay, and the guard of honor was captained by Sub-Lieut. Nigel Brodeur, RCN, of Vancouver, B.C.

A Golden Wedding Day

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Stott, 1949 Crescent Road, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary last Sunday when friends gathered to honor them at a tea. Assisting in receiving the guests were their daughter, Mrs. S. L. Simpson, who came from Massett, B.C., for the occasion, and their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Stott. Also present were Mr. and Mrs. William Steven, old friends and former Victorians, who came from Berkeley, Calif., for the celebration.

The tea table was centred with a golden Ming tree bearing small golden bells and gold pieces designed by Mrs. Steven. Miss Faith Simpson and Misses Gael and Sheri Stott assisted their grandparents in serving the guests.

Later, Mr. and Mrs. Stott were honored at a small dinner to mark the occasion.

Entertain for Daughter

Miss Mary Cameron, who spent the holiday season with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. J. Cameron, 261 Michigan Street, has now returned to her studies at University of British Columbia. While she was here, Mr. and Mrs. Cameron held on at home for her on the occasion of her 21st birthday. Assisting in receiving guests were Miss Cameron's aunt and godmother, Miss Winnie Gardner. Those attending the party were Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Webster and Bobby, Misses Ann Biddle, Mary Biddle, Kay Burnett, Sonia Stuart, Lorna Stuart, Frances Fredette, Ursula Koenig, Dorothy Chee, Ann Pomeroy, Donna-Lea Harrison, Linda Wolfe, Sue Harrison, Vesta Briggs, Marguerite Hultgren, Walter Thomson, Bill O'Brien and Sedge Richardson.

Home From California

Miss Kathleen Shaw and Miss Wynne Shaw returned to Victoria by plane from Los Angeles Monday, after spending the holiday season with friends there.

Concert Pianist Balances Career With Home Life and Her Children

Life is almost a continuous series of stimulating adventures for Barbara Custance, Vancouver's far-famed woman pianist, who just last year signed a contract with National Concert and Artists Corporation of New York.

Playing to "standing room only" audiences, receiving rave notices from searching European critics, and gift pianos from Germany, are all a part of her professional career. But she has also added excitement to her private life—where she is Mrs. Leslie Kerr—by the adoption of a little golden-haired daughter.

It was just a year ago this Yuletide season that Patsy, the little charmer of 20 months, arrived in the Kerr home on Vancouver's Drummond Drive, at the same time that a beautiful Bechstein concert grand piano, a gift from a friend in Germany, appeared in the corner of the big living room.

Miss Custance reports that her two small boys, John, who is now 10, and Timmy, who is seven, were far more interested in the little sister than they were in the shiny piano.

The pianist, who has been described by music writers of Stuttgart Zeitung as having "great feeling and personal conviction," and The New York World Telegram and Sun as "an artist of considerable musicianship, notable for her sweep and power," will present a recital in Victoria on Monday at Victoria High School auditorium.

She is being presented by Famous Artists Limited, and the concert is a special bonus to season's subscribers. There are only 75 tickets available to non-season ticket holders.

With a fine future before her on both sides of the Atlantic, Miss Custance pursues her career with determination and zest, but she finds plenty of time to live a full and happy family life as well. Four or five hours a day are devoted to practice, whether on tour or at home.

The question of practicing on tour is not always as easy as it would seem. While concertizing in Europe in 1953, the Canadian pianist played her first



BARBARA CUSTANCE... is world-famed.

recitals in Germany and there particularly she experienced difficulty in finding practice accommodation, playing sometimes in conservatories, sometimes in private houses, in basements and Steinway emporiums.

One of her most treasured memories is a visit in the home of Miss Mendelssohn-Bartholdy, just outside Munich. In this house of the relative of the great composer, she saw his death mask, a cast of his hand and numerous sketches done by his famous artist brother-in-law, Wilhelm Hensel.

One of Miss Custance's most gratifying successes came in Italy, traditional home of music, where capacity audiences were enthusiastic over her performance of the Italian classical, Scarlatti. So delighted were the Milanese that she was invited to return to give the first performance of a Pavesi concerto in the Pitti Palace.

In England she was equally



Family Here for Holidays

Mrs. D. C. Hill-Tout, Miss Kippy Hill-Tout and Lieut. D. C. Hill-Tout, right, came from Wainwright, Alta., to spend the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Gannon, 1040 Craig-

darroch Road, and Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Hill-Tout, Hampshire Road. Officer Cadet R. H. Banning, who has also been a guest at the Gannon home, returned by plane to Kingston today.

Fishing or Building House, This Nova Scotia Woman 'Good as Man'

CHERRY HILL, N.S. (CP)—Whether she's out fishing with her husband or working around the house she helped build, Rose Conrad is a proud, independent woman who's not beholden to any man in Cherry Hill.

"I can do anything a man can do," she says with a toss of her straight brown hair. Some what apologetically, every man in this little south shore fishing village will allow that she can. In spring and summer she and her husband, Alonzo, fish for cod and mackerel. In late fall and winter they fish for lobster. But they only go out when the weather is right. "The Lord gives plenty of fine days, why take chances in rough weather?" Rose asks.

HARD WORK

"It's no easy work hauling traps up one of 20 fathoms of water," she says, but she loves it. "If I couldn't go down to the shore and go fishing I'd go crazy. I'd sooner do that sort of work than do housework."

Sometimes the Conrads land 1,800 pounds of fish in one set of their nets. Getting fish out of the gill nets and into the boat is hard work in itself. "But," says Rose, "they can't bear me for picking out mackerel."

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Joan, now 17, didn't catch the fishing fever, however. "I hate it," she says, Joan gets seasick. She left in December to work in Halifax.

BUILDS TRAPS

Rose helps build lobster traps, and set 40 of her own last summer. She knits nets too, and claims she picked up the knack in a few minutes.

Rose, 37, is lean and muscular. Her hands have withstood hard work, and she's proud of them. "They're as soft as any woman's," she smiles.

Mount Douglas—The meeting of Mount Douglas High School PTA will be held Wednesday night at 8 p.m. in the school library. The speaker will be Principal Forster, who will talk on the school bursary sponsored by the PTA.

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Wedding Couple Return to City Early Next Week

St. Luke's Church, Cedar Hill Crossroad, was scene of a ceremony which united Miss Jennifer Turner, daughter of Major Victor Turner, Jersey, Channel Islands, and Mr. Charles Craster of Vancouver and Victoria, son of Mrs. Craster of Vernon, B.C. The Rev. Canon Frederick Pike officiated.

The bride chose a dress of white brocade, the skirt falling into a graceful train. Her bouquet was poinsettias. Leonard Crookston gave the bride away. Miss Carroll Butler was a bride's attendant, her striking ballet-length red velvet frock enhanced by a bouquet of white poinsettias.

John Barclay was best man and Peter Butler and Bill McCarter were ushers. A reception followed at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Crookston, Torquay Drive. Toast to the bride was proposed by Frances Filleul.

"Fourways," Cadboro Bay will be the home of Mr. and Mrs. Craster on return next week from their wedding trip to San Francisco.

Mrs. Craster's traveling costume was a navy, white and red plaid skirt, navy blue jacket, small hat with red trim and red accessories.

Woman Named Kelowna's Good Citizen

KELOWNA, B.C. (CP)—Miss E. J. Lil Edgel, pioneer Okanagan nurse, has been chosen Kelowna's good citizen of 1954. Still active although she will celebrate her 91st birthday next May, Miss Edgel was chosen by Kelowna Soroptimists following a conference with representatives of other service clubs.

She was one of the pioneer nurses of the valley, and later operated a nursing home. In recent years she has taken an active interest in Sunnyside Centre, a school operated for retarded children. During the Korean war she found time to knit socks for soldiers and send clothing to needy countries.

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TORONTO OILS

Bid	Ask	Yank Price	77	78	79
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Closing Averages

Dow Jones closing stock averages:
30 Industrials 406.17, off 0.72
20 rails 145.80, off 0.72
15 utilities 62.76, up 0.32
65 stocks 156.67, off 0.61
Shares: 4,420,000.

Montreal closing averages:
Industrials 253.10, off 0.10
Utilities 119.50, off 0.40
Golds 71.23, off 0.31
Pub. Papers 116.62, up 1.00
Shares: 603,100.

Toronto closing averages:
Industrials 383.81, off 2.12
Golds 81.54, off 0.62
Base Metals 162.69, up 0.45
Western Oils 103.48, off 1.06
Shares: 6,468,000.

GM Offers New Stock to Pay For Expansion

NEW YORK (UP)—General Motors Corp., which has spent more than \$2,000,000,000 during the past six years for expansion, plans to raise \$325,000,000 through the sale of common stock for further growth.

Part of the additional capital funds will be used to pay for working capital depleted by the huge postwar spending program.

Harlow H. Curcio, president, and Alfred P. Sloan, Jr., chairman, said in a joint statement after the close of the market Monday the new funds were needed "to enable production facilities to keep pace with the continued demand for the company's products."

GM's stock was the most active on the New York Stock Exchange Monday. A total of 654,000 shares changed hands. It closed at \$105.13, a gain of \$7.25 a share.

Today, however, wrong guesses paid for their mistake. GM stock opened belatedly this morning at \$99.07, \$6.13 from the previous close.

The speculators had anticipated that GM directors would split the stock two-for-one and also issue rights in a new financing operation. The actual action, providing only for new financing, is expected to give shareholders rights worth \$1.50 of value a share.

INVESTIGATE STOCK RE-SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION would make a routine preliminary investigation to see if anyone profited illegally in Monday's spectacular rise.

Curcio and Sloan said GM would file a registration statement with the SEC under Jan. 20 and expected the additional common stock to be offered early in February.

Stockholders will get first crack at the new shares. They will be offered one additional share for every 20 held.

The price will be determined just before the offering. Curcio and Sloan pointed out that in the past six years General Motors had spent more than \$2,000,000,000 for expansion, including \$750,000,000 in 1954.

Capital expenditures in 1955 are expected to hit \$500,000,000, bringing the total for 1954 and 1955 alone to \$1,250,000,000.

Vancouver Island subsection of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers will meet at 8 tonight in Williams Hall, W. Austin, electrical superintendent of B.C. Forest Products at Youbou, will lead a discussion on the reliability of electrical equipment.

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MARKET SUMMARIES

Ford Hardest Hit By Toronto Break

TORONTO (CP)—A widespread selling wave hit the market today. Prices dipped as much as \$2.

GM Stock Rallies After Sudden Drop

NEW YORK (AP)—The market was battered by a selling wave today, but General Motors stock rallied after a sudden drop.

Key to the fall was General Motors which broke 6 1/2 at the opening. It retraced a portion of its loss later.

The market as a whole had losses of 1 to around 3 points with occasional dips past that level.

Most of the selling was over early in the second hour, and then the market rallied. In the process, a number of leading issues posted surprisingly strong gains.

Canadian stocks were mixed. Hiram Walker advanced 1/2. Distillers Seagram gained 1/2. Canadian Pacific dropped 1/2.

Royalite Oil, Canadian issue on the American stock exchange, was off 1/2.

Coal to Stay As Top Fuel For 20 Years
TORONTO (BUP)—A new survey of Canada's fuel needs to 1975 indicates coal will remain the major source of energy.

The survey was undertaken by Prof. E. A. Allard of the mechanical engineering department at the University of Toronto.

His estimates were based on a 1975 population of 18,000,000.

"It seems probable that Canada will become self-supporting as far as oil is concerned by about 1965," he said. But by that time the United States will probably be importing more than one-third of its domestic consumption (of oil), so that the picture is not quite so rosy as the statement would seem to imply.

"The natural gas situation is more uncertain, but even if the requirements can be met from Canadian sources, it is evident that large quantities of coal and other solid fuels are likely to be required by Canada for the next 20 years or more.

"If it should become necessary, as it probably will, to transform some of our coal into liquid fuel, the demand on our coal resources will increase correspondingly.

"After 1975, the possible use of atomic energy will reduce the rate of demand for our fossilized fuels—coal, oil, etc.—to an extent that cannot be foreseen with reasonable accuracy at this time."

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\$ EXCHANGE
VICTORIA—Banks buying U.S. cash at 3 1/2 per cent discount. Selling U.S. cash at 3 1/2 per cent. Cash at 2 1/2 per cent. 42 7/8, 18 1/2.

MONTREAL—United States dollar worth 82.18 cents. Canadian dollar worth 82.18 cents. Canadian dollar worth 82.18 cents.

Boys' and Youths' Pants
Clearing from regular stock, rayon gabardine, nylon and rayon gabardine, and all-wool worsted pants for school and dress wear. Various practical colors, in sizes 6 to 18 years. Half-Day Special, 2.47 to 6.63.

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Heavy Taxes Take Biggest Share Of Forest Earnings—MacMillan

Forest industries are now the most heavily taxed in the province, and are taxed more heavily than in any other province in Canada, H. R. MacMillan, chairman of MacMillan & Bloedel Ltd., declared in the company's annual report today.

He showed that taxes took \$2.74 per share of the company's earnings in the last year, as compared with an average net profit of \$2.41 per share and dividends of 50 cents on class A shares and 80 cents on class B shares.

"The federal, provincial, district and municipal taxation load is now consuming between 60 and 65 per cent of the earnings of the forest industry," he said. "Furthermore, hospital and school areas can and are being extended on occasion for the purpose of bringing distant forest land and mill properties under school and hospital taxation."

New taxes recently imposed on the industry here, he pointed out, were: 10 per cent logging tax; increased provincial sales tax on supplies and capital equipment.

Tenders Called
Sanich Council Monday instructed that tenders be called for its yearly supply of gasoline, fuel and road oil and for paper and fittings for its waterworks projects.

Mr. MacMillan's report contained a blunt warning that, despite its big lumber production as a single province, B.C.'s output of softwoods is only 4 1/2 per cent of the world's total.

"It is necessary that government, labor, management and investors do not act in the belief that this relatively small forest area can influence world prices or selling conditions. The B.C. tail can't wag the world dog," he said.

In another part of the report, discussing forest management, Mr. MacMillan said heavy damage which results from slash burning—a government requirement—was one of the most important problems needing solution. Damage from slash burning, he elaborated, includes destruction of thousands of years of soil accumulation, killing of existing second crop and seed trees.

"Plantations," he reported, "are growing much more slowly than the natural forest preceding them. Such slow growth is of extreme importance, particularly on Vancouver Island, the chief Douglas fir region, in which the greatest areas of planting will be necessary."

Annual growth of wood per acre in the northwest United States, southern United States, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa and other competitive countries far exceed the B.C. average. "Sometimes to the extent of being double or treble," Mr. MacMillan said in a study of the slow growth and was endeavoring to find a remedy.

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Men's Gloves
Fleece-lined gloves in a smooth leather finish. Come in brown only, broken size range. Half-Day Special, 2.49.

Men's Work Shirts
Cotton doesn't work shirts with neat collar, two pockets. Red and black checks or plain navy. Sizes 14 1/2 to 17 in the group. Half-Day Special, each 1.77.

Men's Jackets
Clearance of traveller's samples... including waist and hip lengths. Heavy wool checks or plain rayon gabardine. Medium only. Half-Day Special, each 9.95 to 14.95.

Boys' Sport Shirts
A clearance of cotton sport shirts with neat collar, one pocket, short sleeves. Novelty on plain white. For ages 8 to 14 in the group. Half-Day Special, each 99c.

Women's Skirts
Worsted skirts in two smart styles... with button-front or straight cut. Grey, beige, blue, brown or charcoal. Sizes 12 to 18. Half-Day Special, each 3.49.

Rayon Crepe Blouses
Women's short sleeved, small collared blouses with lace edging on front panel, tiny pearl-like buttons. White, pink or yellow. Sizes 14 to 20. Half-Day Special, 1.79.

Women's Slippers
Cosy English felt slippers with padded leatherette soles. Plain tan and plaid with rolled collars and pom-pom trim. Sizes 4 to 9 in the group. Half-Day Special, pair 1.89.

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FINAL BULLETINS

7 Years' Jail for Storing Files

ALEXANDRIA, Va. (AP)—Joseph S. Petersen Jr., Tuesday received a seven-year prison sentence for storing secret government documents in his apartment.

U.S. District Judge Albert V. Bryan imposed the sentence on the one-time trusted employee of the Super-Secret National Security Agency. Petersen had pleaded guilty to the charge, one of three counts in an indictment against him.

Swindle Charges Dropped

NEW YORK (CP)—The State of New York today withdrew proceedings against two Canadians named last October as defendants in a swindle which allegedly fleeced the public out of more than \$250,000 through the sale of worthless uranium and television securities.

Neil W. Tracy of Chilliwack, B.C., and Norman S. Edgar of Calgary were among 15 individuals and three companies originally charged by Nathaniel Goldstein, former state attorney-general, with the swindle which used the names of leading stage and screen personalities as bait for unwary investors.

Ladysmith Baby Flown to Mainland

VANCOUVER (CP)—The prematurely-born daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Hooper was reported in very poor condition in St. Paul's Hospital here following a mercy flight from her Ladysmith, B.C. home.

Durocher Wins McNamee Memorial

NEW YORK (UP)—Manager Leo Durocher of the world champion New York Giants has been voted the Graham McNamee Memorial award by the Sports Broadcaster Association. It was announced today by President Dean Miller.

The award, named for the late pioneer sports broadcaster, honors "an outstanding performance" during the year and will be presented at the eighth annual broadcasters' awards dinner on Jan. 27.

Montreal Police Official Suspended

MONTREAL (CP)—Assistant-inspector Romeo Longpre today was suspended from the Montreal police department for alleged irregularities during the October civic election.

Longpre, right-hand man of former detective chief Wilfrid Bourdon who resigned three weeks ago, said he was asked to resign following a meeting of police officials Monday.

Fire Rages on New York Piers

NEW YORK (AP)—A raging wind-fanned fire broke out late today on two Erie Railroad piers along the Hudson River on Manhattan's lower west side. The blaze sent a great plume of smoke over downtown New York.

Firemen were forced to don masks as they battled the fire. Fireboats moved in from the river to lend aid.

Commonwealth Construction Sold to Three London Firms

LONDON (CP)—Three London companies announced today they have acquired jointly a controlling interest in a Canadian firm, the Commonwealth Construction Company.

The British firms are Edmund Nuttal Sons & Company Ltd., J. L. Kier & Company Ltd., and F. G. Minter Ltd.

The Commonwealth Construction Company, with offices in Winnipeg, Vancouver and Victoria, is said to be one of the leading civil engineering and building contractors in western Canada.

It was announced that Air Vice-Marshal Richard Colford, head of airfield construction for the RCAF during the Second World War, will continue as president of the Canadian company.

OVERNIGHT ENTRIES

SANTA ANITA

FIRST RACE—Three furlongs: Radio Link 118, Aldie 118, Taumanga 118, Madam Sultan 115, U. Knighted 118, Vera Ultra 106, Hasty Regard 118, Provincial 118, Tyle Cell 118, Capt. Lark 118.
SECOND RACE—Mr. Legrow 115, Running Bird 115, Solid Cross 117, South 115, Dora Amber 110, Big Success 115, Texas Draw 115, Cinnamon Stick 110.
THIRD RACE—Obstacle 118, Nabena 118, Miss Repeat 108, Chino Kahl 118, Imperial Red 117, Honey's Alibi 118, Vera Ultra 106, Two Bit Hug 127, Audacious King 117, Florence Hous 117, Part Cross 117, Liberty Lee 112, Whirligaway 122, Quick Count 117, Sunny Bunch 117.
FIFTH RACE—Golden Stage 113, Week-End 110, Refuse 110, Orrcrack 115, Frappe 111, Irish Cheer 118, Vera Ultra 106.
SIXTH RACE—Matinee Idol 112, Indian Pile 110, Hasty Way 110, Fabricate 115, Mobararam 112, Kiovasen 111, Liquid Gold 110, My Chief 110.
SEVENTH RACE—Bell O' Shandon 118, Tonsina 119, Speedy Eddie 118, Sinful 119.
EIGHTH RACE—Gallop 117, Gallop 117, Count Prim 113, Peace Rumor 113, Appraise 108, Miniting 113, Oso 119, Oso 119, Gallop 117.

FAIR GROUNDS

FIRST RACE—Six furlongs: Chali Wind 107, High Jackie 108, Plo D 110, Standfast 115, Music 114, Aunt Dinah 105, Sunny Capt 103, Corca Al 114, Dink A 115.
SECOND RACE—Six furlongs: Sneak Easy 115, Script War 112, Macdon 115, Short Cable 108, In Class 115, Jean the Joker 113, Kangaroo 113, Nice Try 112, Expectant 105.
THIRD RACE—Mile and sixteenth: Monarch 118, Order Filled 118, Happy's Sam 117, Gamman 110, Friendly Ace 118, Admiral's Belle 108.
FOURTH RACE—Mile and half: Yekes 117, Carriage 110, Trade 110, Part Cross 117, Sharp Arrow 117, Sharp Arrow 117, Sunny Bunch 117.
FIFTH RACE—Six furlongs: Gypsy Rover 110, Refuse 110, Membrillo 118, Major Piddle 115, Frappe 111, Hidden Fortune 118, Vera Ultra 106.
SIXTH RACE—Six furlongs: Fortune 117, Apache T 118, Good Intention 105, Heel Flame 110, The Hoop 105, Heloise 122, Canute 112.
SEVENTH RACE—Seven furlongs: Miss Arlette 118, Tonsina 119, In Reserve 118, Sinful 119.
EIGHTH RACE—Mile and sixteenth: Calabaz 113, King Moll 108, Peace Rumor 113, Appraise 108, Miniting 113, Oso 119, Oso 119, Gallop 117.

Premier Ends Wine Embargo

Liquor Policy Change Closes Long-Standing Controversy

Premier W. A. C. Bennett today announced he will end the long-standing provincial government policy of not allowing the sale of California wines in the province.

Liquor Control Board officials said it would be several months before the policy change could be put into effect, but that the first bottles could be on the shelves by early summer.

The premier's announcement ends a controversy which has raged in B.C. since prohibition was ended after the First World War.

Successive governments have upheld the ban, which was criticized by the Stevens' Royal Commission inquiry. The policy was imposed to encourage the growth of B.C.'s infant wine

50-Odd Applications Made

Liquor Control Board officials said they have 50-odd applications for import by California wine producers.

They said the California

SELECTIONS

FAIR GROUNDS

1-Meemer, Aunt Dinah, Music.
2-Hoop Roller, McBezzell Expectant.
3-Happy Sam, Sixty Nine, Sixty Nine.
4-Sneaky Marie, Valley, Antebabe.
5-Care Taker, Thy Delight, Bird Bell.
6-Old Pat, Gin Champ, Broad Cross.
7-Prince Eric, Princess King, Down Home.
8-Goldboro, Storer Creek, Chiallano.
9-Love Bug, Carroll Hart, King Midas.
10-Whirligaway, Quick Count, Florida House.
11-Hidden Fortune, Very Ultra, Special Chap.
12-Sweep, Muharram, Fabricate.
13-Sinful, In Reserve, First Aid Kit.
14-Gallop, Count Prim, Arch Miss.

RACE RESULTS

FAIR GROUNDS

FIRST RACE—Six furlongs: Bull O' Woods (Knapp) \$10.20 \$3.80 \$2.80, Abe Shurman (Bresard) 3.00 2.00, Stratton (Pope) 4.00, Time—1:16.
SECOND RACE—Six furlongs: Battle Fury (Thomas) \$7.60 \$4.40 \$4.40, Lead Son (Duhon) 7.40 4.20, Claire Dubois (Cunliffe) 12.20, Time—1:15 4-5.
THIRD RACE—Six furlongs: Billup (Wickel) \$17.40 \$9.40 \$5.40, Honey's Alibi (Bhaskar) 16.80 8.20, Break Miss (Pope) 6.20, Time—1:15 2-5.
FOURTH RACE—Six furlongs: Playful Kid (Spencer) \$3.00 \$2.30 \$2.30, Judge Ray E. (Hansman) 4.40 4.80, Pit Away (Heckmann) 7.00, Time—1:15 1-5.
FIFTH RACE—Six furlongs: Wise Jack (Perman) \$6.20 \$4.00 \$3.80, Donald Lee (Meads) 12.20 6.60, Lewis A. D. (Craig) 3.40, Time—1:14.
SIXTH RACE—Six furlongs: Crossing (Baldwin) \$16.20 \$5.40 \$3.20, Little Don G. (Knapp) 4.40 3.60, Tony Guy (Craig) 2.40, Time—1:10 1-5.
SEVENTH RACE—Six furlongs: Calce (Broussard) \$6.40 \$4.80 \$3.80, Steppy Mabel (Baldwin) 4.60 3.50, Betty T. (Hettinger) 3.80, Time—1:11 1-5.
EIGHTH RACE—Six furlongs: Ruth Eileen (York) \$27.10 \$12.50 \$5.60, Miss Todd (Beland) 7.80 3.80, Irish Emerald (Arcaro) 2.80, Time—1:23 1-5.
NINTH RACE—Six furlongs: Dancing Karim \$86.00 \$24.30 \$19.40, Bonnie Lass (Nelson) 7.40 4.70, Devonshire (Cook) 16.20, Time—1:26 2-5.
TENTH RACE—Six furlongs: Lady Jo (Volke) \$24.10 \$8.90 \$7.30, Yonderling (Valenzuela) 6.20 4.50, Never Tardy (Westrope) 6.40, Time—1:24.

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By LORD BEAVERBROOK

Don't Trust To Luck

(The Times presents in serialized form the new issue of Lord Beaverbrook's book. Installments will appear daily.)

CHAPTER I

Men do not dream the same dreams. The artist knows one job, the soldier another; what delights the businessman leaves the politician cold. But however much they may despise each other's ambitions, they want their dreams to be fulfilled. In a word, they desire success.

The bitterest thing in life is failure, and the pity is that it is almost always the result of some avoidable error or misconception. There need be no such thing as failure. Every man has a career before him, or, at least, every man can find a niche in the social order which he can successfully occupy.

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C-O-L INDEX

FRACTION OFF

OTTAWA (CP)—The consumer price index dropped one-fifth of a point during November to 116.6 from 116.8 as lower food prices countered the impact of higher rents on living costs, the first change in the yardstick since last August.

We are too apt to believe that if a man is clever at one thing or successful under one set of circumstances he must be equally clever at everything and equally successful under all conditions.

Anyone who has strayed in youth to the wrong profession and failed may yet prove himself an immense success in another. These broad distinctions at the top reach downwards until the general truth is equally applicable to all the subdivisions and even to all the administrative sections of particular firms.

To take a practical instance—salesmanship requires, above all, the spirit of optimism. That same spirit carried into the sphere of finance might ruin a firm. The success in one branch might be the failure in the other, and vice versa. No

Alberni May Be Site Of M & B Project

Hint of another pulp and paper mill for Vancouver Island was given today by Bert M. Hoffmeister, president of MacMillan & Bloedel Ltd., the giant of B.C.'s lumbering industry.

In releasing the company's annual report in Vancouver, Mr. Hoffmeister indicated the probable next step in the company's expansion program is construction of such a mill in the Alberni area. However, he declined to give any further details of the company's plans.

The company's report makes a general forecast that "the pulp and paper output of B.C. will be increased by several new ventures in the next few years."

The report disclosed that the firm, which has huge holdings in the island, increased its net earnings by approximately 13%, from \$11,315,668 to \$12,759,572, in its last fiscal year ending Sept. 30.

The annual report of the company, released today, disclosed that this was done by boosting its overall business to a figure of \$142,590,638 in gross receipts from \$128,178,374 the previous year.

Higher sales of pulp from the steadily expanding plant of the big firm were more than enough to offset lower returns from lumber and a higher tax load.

Out of the profits, dividends amounting to \$4,189,055 were paid and the balance of \$8,570,517 was ploughed back into the business.

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Vancouver Stocks

Closing hour sales on the Vancouver stock exchange: 500 Van Tor 47, 100 Canadian Pacific 7, 400 Fargo 1.87, 500 Pacific Nickel 24 1/2, 200 Alberta Distillers 1.85, 1,500 York Oil 9, 30 Imperial Oil 39, 1,000 Mid West Gas 1.72, 300 General Petroleum "A" 5.35, 1,500 McMillan Exploration 28, 25 McMillan Bloedel "B" 24, 200 Okalta 42.

Extra Hour For Drinking

Beer parlor patrons in B.C. have an extra hour in which to drink beer, under regulations of the new liquor act brought into force on New Year's Day.

Under the new regulations, taverns can sell beer from 10:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m., then a half-hour "tolerance" period is given for patrons to leave premises. Taverns then close at 7:30 p.m. and can sell beer until 11:30 p.m., with another half-hour "tolerance" period allowed to get patrons out of establishments.

Existing outlets will not be affected by the ballot. Each provincial riding is a separate licensing area, excluding those areas which already have been declared under the new act.

Registration for the votes is now under way.

UNKNOWN FACTOR

Key to the situation, said Reeve Casey, is the provincial government's upcoming decision on the overall school tax rate. Until the municipalities know this figure nothing could, or would, be done about setting the municipal rate. Meanwhile, no one could guess what their taxes would be.

Victoria's mayor admitted in his inaugural speech Monday night that "it is almost impossible to estimate whether the revised assessments will mean an increase or a decrease in local taxation."

Key factors are the amount of school taxes the government will place on B.C. industry, and the rate of school tax set by the government for residential properties.

If these changes produce a situation whereby the city must raise the same amount of tax dollars locally as it did last year, then the mill-rate would decline from 56 1/2 to 41.37, the mayor said.

But, it was indicated, municipal officials can only guess until the unknown factors are clarified by government action.

It is evident the people are alarmed," Reeve Wurfele said. Most are jumping to the conclusion 1955 taxes will rise proportionately to the increases in assessments. He admitted "taxes may be higher," but stressed his belief "adjustments will be made."

Both by the province and the individual municipalities.

In Saanich, Reeve Joseph Casey said residents are "sized up."

Reeve Wurfele said, "The premier's promise is expected to cool down municipal taxpayers all over the province. They began sizzling last week when 1955 assessment notices reached them, revealing the in-